

MAINTENANCE OF CATTLE GUARDS ON COUNTY ROADS

The Judith Basin County Commissioners would like to remind all property owners that it is their responsibility and obligation to notify the County Road Department of any issues with cattle guards on county roads. This includes routine maintenance and cleaning from run-off and regular use.

Please notify the Road Department at **566-2241** of all issues but especially of silting or filling of cattle guards in your area BEFORE livestock can cross into adjacent lands. While MCA § 7-14-2130 allows the County to install and maintain cattle guards, the County is not obligated to do so. It is the property owner's duty to fence to the cattle guard. If a cattle guard is not effective in preventing trespassing livestock, property owners may need to construct or repair fences along the county right-of-way to meet the statutory requirements for livestock fences in their area.