

Rural Improvement Districts (RID)

Department Overview

Rural Improvement Maintenance Districts are normally created when a majority of the residents of an area band together and request the creation of a Rural Improvement District (RID) by the County Commission. RID's are usually for the construction or improvement of roads, water or sewer systems in their area. When the RID is created, the County becomes responsible under state statute to maintain the improvements. The Maintenance District is the County's method of collecting fees from the benefiting property to maintain the improvements.

RID's that have been created include roads, parks, water, sewer and parking areas. The County contracts with an engineering firm to administer the districts and to estimate the cost of maintaining and replacing the improvements, as required by state law.

On a yearly basis, the engineer prepares a report showing the activities for the prior year, the projects for the coming year and projects improvements up to 20 years into the future. The engineer recommends a square foot fee for each of the 60 Maintenance Districts.

The County Clerk & Recorder, upon commission approval of the engineer's recommendation, publishes a notice and mails notices to each owner of record, plus those parties known to have an interest in the property, showing the amount of the fee for each district. After a public hearing the Commission reviews and amends the districts' fees and boundaries. The Commission then approves through resolution the fees and area for each district.

Department Goals

- Adhere to state law in creation, management and revisions to districts.
- Remain cognizant and sensitive to public's perception of our activities while performing daily tasks.
- Work as a team in an efficient manner.
- Organize maintenance activities, planning and capital improvement to meet the goals set forth by the resolution creating the district.

Recent Accomplishments

- Paving of Ousal Falls Road (RID 395) in Gallatin and Madison County, and Clarkston Road (RID 396 (largest RID in the County).
- Transfer of roads improved through 4 RID's, to the management and maintenance of the County Road Department.
- Start of Trooper Trail RID creation with authorization of a \$630,000 bond and ongoing maintenance district.
- Creation of two maintenance districts.

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Department Budget

Object of Expenditure	Actual FY 2013	Final FY 2014	Actual FY 2014	Request FY 2015	Preliminary FY 2015	Final FY 2015
Personnel	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Operations	445,331	6,062,119	823,531	6,374,352	6,336,730	6,514,321
Debt Service	1,060,341	2,059,630	874,131	1,952,715	1,952,715	2,272,258
Capital Outlay	412,234	250,752	250,752	-	250,752	250,752
Transfers Out	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	\$ 1,917,906	\$ 8,372,501	\$ 1,948,414	\$ 8,327,067	\$ 8,540,197	\$ 9,037,331

Budget by Fund Group

General Fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Special Revenue Funds	586,542	6,062,119	823,531	6,123,600	6,336,730	6,514,321
Debt Service Funds	1,182,514	2,059,630	874,131	1,952,715	1,952,715	2,272,258
Capital Project Funds	412,234	250,752	250,752	250,752	250,752	250,752
Enterprise Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Internal Service Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Trust & Agency Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	\$ 2,181,290	\$ 8,372,501	\$ 1,948,414	\$ 8,327,067	\$ 8,540,197	\$ 9,037,331

Funding Sources

Tax Revenues	\$ 1,945,273	\$ 2,109,780	\$ 2,088,682	\$ 2,193,566	\$ 2,178,566	\$ 2,193,568
Non-Tax Revenues	26,196	15,000	15,750	15,000	15,000	15,000
Cash Reappropriated	209,821	6,247,721	(156,019)	6,118,501	6,346,630	6,828,763
Total	\$ 2,181,290	\$ 8,372,501	\$ 1,948,414	\$ 8,327,067	\$ 8,540,197	\$ 9,037,331

Department Personnel

No. of Positions	FT/PT	Title	FTE
Contracted with outside engineering firm			
Total Program			0

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2015 Budget Highlights

Personnel

- There are no Personnel costs associated with this Activity

Operations

- Pursuant to engineer recommendations

Debt Service

- Payment of RID Bonds and Interest to Bond holders

Capital

- RID Construction - Ousel Falls \$250,752

County Commission Goals/Department Response

The County Commission established a set of overarching goals for the County government. Listed below are the goals, followed by the methods by which the Activity is striving to fulfill those goals.

Align community needs with budgetary decisions

- Seek input from residents on RID program and proposed changes.

Adhere to long term plans

- Align annual assessments with long-term planned maintenance.

Demonstrate exceptional Customer Service

- Quality improvements within budget and at price estimated in resolution.
- Provide safe transportation.
- Make reasonable effort to comply with City, County and Federal standards.

Serve as a Model for Excellence in Government

- Maintain Rural Improvement District assets in an efficient and effective manner.

Improve communication within county government, other jurisdictions and our public

- Be cognizant and sensitive to the public's perception.
- Work as a team.
- Adhere to RID improvement plan.
- Educate the public of activities.

Be an Employer of Choice and improve employee retention

- Services provided through contract only.

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Workload Indicators / Performance Measures

Workload Indicators		Actual	Actual	Actual	Projected
Indicator		FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015
1.	Rural Improvement Districts	64	64	64	68
2.	Lots within RID's	5,637	5,637	5,637	6,106
3.	Inquiries from RID Contacts	140	130	107	100
4.	Scheduled projects	62	50	63	65

Performance Measures		Actual	Actual	Actual	Projected
Measure		FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015
1.	Number adverse comments during public hearing	1	1	0	0
2.	Decrease in complaints by 10%	1	3	0	0

Comments