

GREENLEE COUNTY ROAD STANDARDS

Greenlee County's authority and responsibility for public road and street maintenance is defined by Arizona Revised Statutes § 28-6705. The statute allows Greenlee County to spend public monies on maintenance of public roads that have been legally designated county highways.

County highways are roads that have been established and opened by the board of supervisors as set forth in Arizona Revised Statutes § 28-6701. After establishment, the county has authority to expend public monies to lay out, construct, maintain, and improve these roads.

Section 28-6705 also allows the county to spend public monies on maintenance of other public roads provided the roads are designed and constructed in accordance with standard engineering road specifications adopted by the board of supervisors without cost to the county.

Roads from approved plat dedications are residential streets that have been constructed to a county standard by developers without cost to the county. Upon completion, these streets are accepted into the county's maintenance system and public monies may be expended for maintenance activities.

In summary, for a roadway to be accepted into the county's maintenance system, it must be constructed to county design standards, without cost to the county. Additionally, the roadway must have dedicated right-of-way either by easement for public use or by fee granted to Greenlee County.

Greenlee County has adopted the Cochise County Road Design & Construction Standards & Specifications for Public Improvements, 2017 Edition. This document is available through the link below and is also available in the office of the county engineer.

<https://greenlee.az.gov/pdf/CochiseCountyRoadDesignConstructionStandardsSpecificationsforPublicImprovements2017.pdf>