

Current Versions of Mendocino County Code sections 18.16.070 and 18.16.080

Sec. 18.16.070 - Names of Roads.

Any private road, street or way established, or any of the same offered in dedication for public use or any private street or roadway established shall be named in accordance with this Chapter. All streets, roads, and ways shall be known by the same name for the entire length.

- (A) Private Road Name Petitions. A private road may be officially named or renamed via a petition that includes a map showing location, alignment, access, proposed road name and parcel numbers, as well as signatures of seventy-five percent (75%) of the property owners whose parcel is serviced by the private road proposed to be affected. There must be a minimum of four (4) dwellings and/or business establishments serviced by the proposed road. The Address Coordinator shall study a private road name to assure that the recommended road name does not duplicate or sound like any existing road name within the various regions of the County. If the road name does not duplicate or sound like any existing road name, the Address Coordinator shall forward the completed petition and accompanying map to the Board of Supervisors.
- (B) Minimum Number of Developed Lots Served. The County may require a street name of every access that serves at least four (4) dwellings and/or business establishments, except in mobile home parks, shopping centers and apartment type developments. In these cases, street names will not be permitted.
- (C) County-Initiated Road Naming or Renaming. The County shall have the right to name or rename all county roads, private roads, accesses and easements within the unincorporated areas of Mendocino County.
- (D) Signs. All officially named private roads shall be identified by a posted road sign. Signs shall conform to the location and design requirements as listed in the County of Mendocino Road and Development Standards document, standard numbers RS20 and RS21, or comply with the requirements of the California Department of Forestry and/or Local Fire Agency, where those standards are more restrictive. Creating, installing and maintaining said sign shall be solely the responsibility of the property owners served by the road.

Sec. 18.16.080 - Procedure for Approval of Name of Street.

- (A) No street or road shall be deemed officially named except upon approval of the Board of Supervisors by minute order or resolution.
- (B) Procedure for Private Road Name Petitions. The Address Coordinator shall provide, to the owners of land adjoining a street or road that is subject to a road name petition, thirty (30) days notice of the meeting date of which the Board of Supervisors will consider the petition. Said notice shall state that any person objecting to the name proposed may file an objection in writing with the Address Coordinator or the Board of Supervisors up to and including the date of the meeting of the Board of Supervisors. If any person objects to the name proposed to be assigned in advance of the scheduled meeting date, the Address

Coordinator shall discuss the matter with the proponents and all who so object in writing and shall attempt to resolve the differences. If a resolution of differences is not forthcoming, the Address Coordinator shall present the matter to the Board of Supervisors, stating the various names proposed.

- (C) Procedure for County-Initiated Road Naming or Renaming. The Address Coordinator shall provide notice to the owners of land adjoining a street or road which the County desires to name or rename. Such notice shall include the proposed name of the street or road and shall provide thirty (30) days to file an objection with the Address Coordinator. If any person so objects, the Address Coordinator shall discuss the matter with all who object in writing and shall attempt to resolve the differences. If a resolution of differences is not forthcoming, the Address Coordinator shall provide thirty (30) days notice to the owners that the County intends to present the matter to the Board of Supervisors at a meeting date certain. Persons may file an objection in writing to the Address Coordinator or the Board of Supervisors up to and including the date of the meeting of the Board of Supervisors.