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Title 1 – Code of Civil Procedure
Chapter 26 – Eminent Domain

1-26-801. Authority of state, counties and municipal corporations to acquire by condemnation proceedings; uranium mill tailings.

(a) The state or any county or municipal corporation may purchase or acquire by condemnation any real estate including streets, alleys or public highways, as sites for public buildings or for any other necessary public purpose. Proceedings in condemnation shall be conducted in the name of the state, county or municipal corporation and by the attorney general when for the state, the county attorney when for the county and the municipal attorney when for a municipal corporation.

(b) In carrying out responsibilities under P.L. 95-604, the state may purchase or acquire by condemnation any real estate or radioactive materials if determined necessary to stabilize and control uranium mill tailings in a safe and environmentally sound manner. Proceedings in condemnation shall be as provided by this act.

1-26-811. Crossing public highways; privileges and duties.

(a) A railroad company may raise or lower any county road or other public highway for the purpose of having its railroad pass over or under the road or highway. Repair or reconstruction of roads or highways shall be expeditiously completed.

(b) While engaged in raising or lowering any county road or other public highway or in making any other alteration which may obstruct the public way, a railroad company shall provide and maintain suitable temporary ways to enable travelers to avoid or pass obstructions.

1-26-813. Right-of-way along public ways granted; permission necessary for new lines.

Corporations authorized to do business in this state for the purpose of constructing, maintaining and operating a public utility may set their fixtures and facilities along, across or under any of the public roads, streets and waters of this state in such manner as not to inconvenience the public in their use. Any public utility desiring to install its facilities in any city shall first attempt to obtain consent from the city council. A person shall first obtain permission from the state transportation commission or the board of county commissioners in the county where the construction is contemplated before entering upon any state highway or county road for the purpose of commencing the construction.

Title 11 – Agriculture, Livestock and Other Animals
Chapter 28 – Fences and Cattleguards

11-28-105. Board of county commissioners to authorize lawful fences upon right-of-way.

The board of county commissioners may authorize the erection of a lawful fence upon the right-of-way of any public road at the expense of the petitioners for the establishment of the

roads, or as may be agreed upon between petitioners and the board of county commissioners, or at the expense of the owners of lands to be benefited by the fencing or at the expense of the county, as the board of county commissioners may determine. The board shall locate and cause to be constructed gates and cattle guards at such intervals as it deems necessary for the convenience of the public. Cattle guards shall be constructed according to specification prescribed by the state highway department, under the supervision of the county surveyor or county commissioners at the expense of the petitioners, the land owners who may be benefited, or the county as the board of county commissioners may determine.

Title 18 – Counties

Chapter 2 – Corporate Powers and Duties

18-2-101. General Powers.

(a) Each organized county in the state is a body corporate and politic. The powers of the county shall be exercised by a board of county commissioners which may:

(i) Sue and be sued;

(ii) Purchase property for the use of the county and acquire real property at tax sales, as provided by law;

(iii) Sell or convey property owned by the county, when it is in the best interests of the county;

(iv) Make contracts and perform other acts relating to the property and concerns of the county in the exercise of its corporate or administrative powers;

(v) Exercise other powers as provided by law;

(vi) Establish a surface water drainage system, utilities and drainage management.

(vii) Repealed By Laws 1999, ch. 22, § 2.

Chapter 3 – County Officers

18-3-102. County officers required to execute bonds; amount; sureties; penalty.

(a) All county officers, except county attorneys, before assuming the duties of their office and within twenty (20) days after the commencement of the term for which they were elected or appointed, shall take, subscribe and file the oath of office, and execute and file their official bonds to the state of Wyoming to insure the honest and faithful performance of their duties, in the penal amounts specified and according to the following provisions:

(i) County assessor: a bond approved by the board of county commissioners of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) with at least two (2) sureties who are residents of the county or of a responsible surety company;

(ii) Repealed by Laws 1981, Sp. Sess., ch. 22, § 2.

(iii) County clerk: a bond filed with the county treasurer of not less than four thousand dollars (\$4,000.00) with at least two (2) sureties;

(iv) County commissioners: a bond approved by the clerk of the district court of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00);

(v) County sheriff: a bond approved by the board of county commissioners of four thousand dollars (\$4,000.00) with sufficient surety;

(vi) County surveyor: a bond of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) with sufficient sureties;

(vii) County treasurer: a bond in an amount prescribed by the board of county commissioners and filed in the office of the county clerk with an approved corporate surety company or at least three (3) sufficient sureties. If for any reason the bond has not been approved by the board of county commissioners, the bond may be approved by the county clerk, but final approval must be given by the board of county commissioners at their next regular meeting. If the board of county commissioners has not prescribed the amount of the bond it shall be not less than the total amount of taxes levied for the year;

(viii) County coroner: a bond as specified in W.S. 7-4-101.

(b) The board of county commissioners may require any county officer who receives county revenue to execute a bond in the penal amount of one and one-fourth (1 1/4) times the amount of revenue received.

(c) Deputy county assessors appointed as provided by W.S. 39-13-102(a) shall execute a bond with the county in the penal sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) conditioned that they will faithfully and impartially observe the laws relating to the listing, assessing and valuing of all property.

(d) Whenever the board of county commissioners requires any county officer to execute a new or additional bond, the county clerk shall immediately give personal notice to that officer. If the bond is not executed within twenty (20) days after receipt of the notice, the board of county commissioners shall declare the office vacant and shall appoint a qualified person to hold the office as provided by W.S. 22-18-111.

(e) Sureties of official bonds as provided in this section shall be residents of the state and have a net worth of twice the amount secured by the bond and each shall sign an affidavit, which

will be endorsed on the bond, of his net worth. Any surety who willfully and corruptly makes a false affidavit as to his qualifications is guilty of false swearing.

(f) If a surety ceases to possess the required qualifications, the board of county commissioners shall require the county officer giving the bond to execute a new one.

(g) Any action to recover on the bonds provided in this section shall be in the name of the people.

18-3-103. Offices and records to be kept within county; exceptions; records open to public inspection; removal for purposes of copying; penalty.

(a) Each county officer except the county attorney, the county coroner and the county sheriff if the county jail is not located in the county seat, shall keep his office at the county seat of the county in an office provided by the county. If the county does not provide an office then the office shall be maintained at a place approved by the board of county commissioners:

(i) The county clerk, county sheriff and county treasurer shall be furnished offices in the courthouse or building used as such;

(ii) The county and prosecuting attorney and the county attorney shall be furnished suitable office space at the expense of the county which shall if practicable be located at or near the courthouse;

(iii) The office of the county assessor may be with the office of another county officer as determined by the board of county commissioners;

(iv) The office of the county coroner may be located at any suitable location determined by the county coroner with the approval of the board of county commissioners.

(b) All county officers shall keep their offices open during the usual business hours of each day excluding Sundays.

(c) All books and papers required to be in county offices are open to the examination of any person without fee. The officer in charge of any documents may temporarily remove them for lawful reproduction purposes and during the period of removal shall not be subject to any penalty. Any officer or person not complying with the provisions of this subsection shall forfeit five dollars (\$5.00) for each day he fails to comply.

18-3-504. Powers and duties generally.

(a) Each board of county commissioners may:

(i) Make such orders concerning the property of the county as they deem expedient;

(ii) Examine and settle all accounts of receipts and expenses of the county and examine, settle and allow all accounts against the county and issue county orders therefore as provided by law;

(iii) Provide for the construction and maintenance of county buildings and insure them in the name of the county treasurer for the benefit of the county. If there are no county buildings they may provide suitable rooms for county purposes;

(iv) Apportion and order the levying of taxes as provided by law;

(v) Represent the county, care for the county property and manage the business and concerns of the county in all cases where no provision is made by law;

(vi) Lay out, alter or discontinue any road running through the county and for such purpose acquire the use of lands therein either by gift, prescription, dedication, the exercise of the right of eminent domain, purchase or lease and perform such other duties respecting roads as required by law;

(vii) Grant licenses for keeping ferries, toll bridges and toll gates as prescribed by law;

(viii) Perform such other duties as prescribed by law;

(ix) By resolution, prohibit or authorize and regulate the operation of golf carts as defined by W.S. 31-5-102(a)(lxi) on public roads and streets within unincorporated areas of the county.

(b) Each board of county commissioners may provide snow removal services on any roads within the county designated as school bus routes by the board of trustees of any school district in the county.

(c) Each board of county commissioners shall provide for the burial of the human remains of any deceased person not receiving personal opportunities with employment responsibilities (POWER) assistance, supplemental security income or Medicaid under the Wyoming Public Assistance and Social Services Act at the time of death and without sufficient means in his own estate or other resources to provide burial or cremation.

18-3-701. Qualifications; appointment; duty as supervisor of roads.

Each board of county commissioners may appoint a county surveyor who is a licensed engineer or surveyor of the state of Wyoming. The board of county commissioners may also appoint the county surveyor to be the county supervisor of roads. If no licensed surveyor or engineer is available the board of county commissioners may appoint some other competent person to act as supervisor of roads.

18-3-702. Duty to make county surveys and keep plats.

(a) The county surveyor shall:

(i) Conduct all surveys in and for his county and keep a plat of all official surveys made by him on file in his office in strict conformity to the field notes of the survey;

(ii) File a copy of a plat of legally established county roads in the United States land office of the district in which the roads are located;

(iii) Execute any survey that is required by order of any court or upon application of any individual or corporation. The certificate of the county surveyor shall be admitted as legal evidence in any court of the state but the same may be explained or rebutted by other evidence.

18-3-705. Compensation of surveyor; appointment and compensation of road supervisor in case surveyor does not act.

The county surveyor in each county shall receive for each day actually employed by the county an amount not to exceed thirty dollars (\$30.00) per day. If the county surveyor does not act as road supervisor as provided by W.S. 18-3-701, the board of county commissioners may appoint a county road supervisor and shall fix his salary at a sum not exceeding six thousand dollars (\$6,000.00) per annum. No county commissioner shall be appointed county road supervisor.

Chapter 4 – Finance

18-4-401. Power of county commissioners.

Each board of county commissioners may establish, construct, purchase, extend, maintain and regulate highway viaducts or subways on any highway including city or town streets within the county.

Title 24 – Highways

Chapter 1 – General Provisions

24-1-101. Public highways defined and established; creation by adverse possession.

(a) On and after January 1, 1924, all roads within this state shall be highways, which have been or may be declared by law to be state or county highways. It shall be the duty of the several boards of county commissioners, within their respective counties, prior to said date, to determine what, if any, such roads now or heretofore traveled but not heretofore officially established and recorded, are necessary or important for the public use as permanent roads, and to cause such roads to be recorded, or if need be laid out, established and recorded, and all roads recorded as aforesaid, shall be highways. No other roads shall be highways unless and until lawfully established as such by official authority. Except, nothing contained herein shall be construed as preventing the creation or establishment of a public highway right-of-way with reference to state and county highways under the common-law doctrines of adverse possession or prescription

either prior to or subsequent to the enactment hereof. If any such board shall resolve the creation or establishment of a public highway right-of-way based upon the common-law doctrines of adverse possession or prescription, it shall, following the filing of a plat and accurate survey required in accordance with the terms and provisions of W.S. 24-3-109, proceed with the publication of the proposed road for three (3) successive weeks in three (3) successive issues of some official newspaper published in the county, if any such there be, and if no newspaper be published therein, such notice shall be posted in at least three (3) public places along the line of the proposed road, which notice shall be exclusive of all other notices and may be in the following form:

To all whom it may concern: The board of county commissioners of county has resolved the creation and establishment of a public highway right-of-way under the common-law doctrine of prescription in that the road was constructed or substantially maintained by the (either the state or county) for general public use for a period of (ten years or longer) said road commencing at in county, Wyoming, running thence (here describe in general terms the points and courses thereof), and terminating at

All objections thereto must be filed in writing with the county clerk of said county before noon on the day of A.D.,, or such road will be established without reference to such objections.

.....
County Clerk

Dated A.D.

(b) The county commissioners shall cause a copy of the above notice to be mailed by registered or certified mail to all persons owning lands or claiming any interest in any lands over or across which the road is proposed to be created or established. The publication, posting and mailings of such notice shall be a legal and sufficient notice to all persons owning lands or claiming any interest in lands over which the proposed road is to be created or established. No viewers or appraisers shall be appointed, nor shall any damage claims be considered or heard, and the sole objections to be heard by the board shall be directed against the creation or establishment of such right-of-way under the common-law doctrines of adverse possession or prescription. Any objector may appeal from the final decision of the board of the county commissioners to the district court of the county in which the land is situated. Notice of such appeal must be made to the county clerk within thirty (30) days after such decision has been made by the board, or such claim shall be deemed to have been abandoned. Within ten (10) days after the notice of an appeal is filed in his office, the county clerk shall make out and file in the office of the clerk of the district court, in his county, a transcript of the papers on file in his office, and the proceedings of the board in relation to such creation and establishment. The proceedings on appeal shall be governed by the Wyoming Administrative Procedure Act. If the appeal is upheld the appellant shall be reimbursed by the county for all reasonable costs of asserting his claim.

(c) Only that portion of the state highways actually used, traveled or fenced, which has been used by the general public for a period of ten (10) years or longer, either prior to or

subsequent to the enactment hereof, shall be presumed to be public highways lawfully established as such by official authority and unavailability of records to show such to have been lawfully established shall not rebut this presumption.

(d) Only that portion of county highways, not to exceed sixty-six (66) feet in width, which was actually constructed or substantially maintained by the county and traveled and used by the general public for a period of ten (10) years or longer, either prior to or subsequent to the enactment hereof, shall be presumed to be public highways lawfully established as such by official authority.

24-1-102. Location, survey and construction.

(a) Any such highways, and such additional highways in connection therewith as may be provided for, which are designated as state highways, shall be located and surveyed under the direction and supervision of the director of the department of transportation or his authorized representative, who shall cause plans and specifications of the highways to be prepared, and designate the materials to be used in their construction. He shall take into consideration the climate, soil and materials to be had in the vicinity, and the extent and nature of the probable traffic on the highway with a view to the most economical construction consistent with efficiency.

(b) Where any such highways are designated as a county highway the same shall be located and surveyed under the direction of the county surveyor of the county in which such highway is located; said county surveyor shall cause plans and specifications of any such highway to be prepared and the board of county commissioners of such county shall designate the materials to be used in their construction. Said board of county commissioners shall take into consideration the climate, soil, and materials to be had in the vicinity, and the extent and nature of the probable traffic on said highway with a view to the most economical construction thereof consistent with efficiency. The expense of locating, surveying, and constructing such county highways shall be paid by the county in which such highway is constructed.

24-1-103. State transportation commission of Wyoming to acquire right-of-way; when right-of-way becomes state property.

The transportation commission is hereby authorized, required and may proceed under the provisions of W.S. 24-2-109(a), to secure the right-of-way for all state highways presently designated by the transportation commission as part of the state highway system or in the future to be designated as part of the state highway system. When any state highway designated by the transportation commission shall occupy in whole or in part the right-of-way of a formerly constructed highway, whether a county highway or a state highway, so much of the right-of-way as is occupied in the construction of the new highway or reconstruction of the previously constructed highway shall become the property of the state.

24-1-104. Management and control of county roads.

All county roads shall be under the supervision, management and control of the board of the county commissioners of the county wherein such roads are located, and no county road shall hereafter be established, altered or vacated in any county in this state, except by authority of the board of the county commissioners of the county wherein such road is located, except as is otherwise provided by law.

24-1-105. Width restrictions.

(a) All county roads established under this chapter shall not be less than sixty (60) nor more than one hundred (100) feet in width, unless the board of county commissioners determines that a county road be established with a less width; provided, that for the purpose of providing driveways for livestock, the board of county commissioners may open a road to a width not exceeding five hundred (500) feet. Provided, however, that state highways may be established not to exceed three hundred (300) feet in width unless a greater width is necessary for parking facilities, maintenance, excavations, embankments, the deposit of waste materials, or driveways for livestock.

(b) Repealed by Laws 1981, ch. 174, § 3.

24-1-106. Closing or restricting use; when necessary.

(a) The department of transportation may restrict the use of, or close, any state highway whenever the department considers the closing or restriction of use necessary:

(i) For the protection of the public;

(ii) For the protection of the highway from damage during storms or during construction, improvement or maintenance operations thereon; or

(iii) For a special event or athletic event pursuant to subsections (b) and (c) of this section.

(b) The department of transportation may authorize the complete or partial closure of designated portions of any state highway for the purpose of conducting a special event or athletic event. The director of the department may use equipment and personnel as necessary. The closure may be authorized only if:

(i) A written application for the event is submitted to the department, containing information the department deems necessary and the application is approved by the director;

(ii) A county government approves the closure if the closure would restrict the use of any county road in the unincorporated area of the county; and

(iii) The closure is implemented in a manner consistent with the rules and regulations of the department and will cause the least inconvenience to the driving public consistent with the requirements of the special event or athletic event.

(c) If an event calls for closure of a state highway within an incorporated city or town, for which there is no readily accessible alternate route, the city or town shall request department approval for the closure.

(d) For purposes of this section:

(i) "Special event" or "athletic event" means any event which is held outside the corporate limits of any city or town on a state highway but cannot comply with all applicable traffic statutes or ordinances. This shall include, but not be limited to, parades, fairs, exhibitions, motion picture filming, bicycle races and foot races. This definition does not include an event taking place away from a highway which, due to the number of persons attending the event, creates traffic congestion on a highway before and after the event; and

(ii) "Partial or complete closure of designated portions of any state highway" means the closing to traffic of any roadway, lane or other portion of a state roadway or highway or any other restriction of the normal use of a highway.

24-1-107. Closing or restricting use; who may close; notice to controlling agency required.

Whenever a dangerous condition is prevailing upon or so near a public highway as to create a menace to public health or safety, members of the Wyoming highway patrol, police departments or sheriff offices may close any highway to traffic when necessary to protect the public from such danger. Whenever such closing of a highway is done the governmental agency having control over said highway shall be immediately notified of the reason of such closing and the location.

24-1-108. Closing or restricting use; public notice.

(a) To notify the public that a state highway is closed or its use restricted pursuant to this act [§§ 24-1-106 through 24-1-109] notification shall be in one (1) or more of the following forms:

(i) Erect suitable barriers or obstructions upon such highway;

(ii) Post warnings and notices of the condition of any such highway;

(iii) Post signs for the direction of traffic upon it, or to or upon any other highway or detour open to public travel;

(iv) Place warning devices on such highway;

(v) Assign a flagman to warn, detour or direct traffic on such highway.

24-1-109. Closing or restricting use; failure to observe signs and markers.

Any person who willfully fails to observe any sign, marker, warning, notice, or direction, placed or given under W.S. 24-1-108 is guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof by any court of competent jurisdiction, shall be subject to a fine of not more than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) or to imprisonment for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days, or to both such fine and imprisonment.

24-1-110. Speed or acceleration contest or exhibition on highways.

(a) No person shall engage in any motor vehicle speed or acceleration contest, or exhibition of speed or acceleration on any highway without approval of such use by the governing body in charge of said highway. No person shall aid or abet in any such motor vehicle speed or acceleration contest or exhibition on any highway, without approval of such use by the governing body in charge of said highway.

(b) No person shall for the purpose of facilitating or aiding or as an incident to any motor vehicle speed or acceleration contest upon a highway, in any manner obstruct or place or assist in placing any barricade or obstruction upon any highway without approval of such use by the governing body in charge of said highway.

(c) Any person who violates this section shall upon conviction be fined not less than ten dollars (\$10) nor more than one hundred dollars (\$100), or by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than ten (10) days or both.

24-1-111. County road districts.

All counties shall be divided into road districts. The board of county commissioners of each county shall divide their county into road districts of as compact form and convenient size as is practicable, and embracing the territory within an election district, if possible, and may change or alter said road district from time to time as the public convenience may require.

24-1-113. Owner of unnatural canal to construct and maintain bridge at road crossing; subsequent assumption and maintenance by county.

Any person, company, corporation or association of persons, operating or maintaining in whole or in part, either as owners, agent, occupant or appropriator any ditch, canal or watercourse, not being a natural stream, for irrigation or any other, and different purpose, shall put in, construct, maintain and keep in repair at his, her, its or their expense for one (1) year, where the same crosses any public highway or publicly traveled road, a good substantial bridge, not less than fourteen (14) feet in width, over such ditch, canal or watercourse where it crosses such road. Any violation of the provisions of this section shall be a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, the person so offending shall pay a fine in any sum not exceeding one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for each day such ditch, canal or watercourse shall be unbridged, insufficiently bridged, or permitted to remain out of repair; provided, that after the expiration of one (1) year, from the

construction of said bridge, the road supervisor of the road district in which said bridge is located, shall upon being notified by the owner or owners of the ditch, canal or watercourse over which said bridge is constructed, at once inspect said bridge, and if found in a good and lawful condition, shall accept the same for the county in which it is located, and said bridge shall thereafter be maintained by the said county.

24-1-114. Bridges between counties.

Whenever it shall appear to be advantageous to any county or counties to build or repair any bridge or bridges over streams constituting the boundary line of such county or counties, or when such bridge or bridges when built will be partly in one (1) county and partly in another county in this state, or when a bridge when built shall be partly in a county of this state and partly in a county of another state, it shall be lawful for the county commissioners of any county in which part of such bridge has been or is to be erected, to join with the other county or counties containing or to contain other parts of the said bridge, in making any contract or contracts for the purpose of procuring the erection or repair of such bridge or bridges on the basis that each of the counties contracting shall pay one-half of the whole expense of building or repairing such bridge or bridges.

24-1-116. Restrictions upon damming streams; generally.

No person or persons, company or corporation, or association of persons, shall be permitted or allowed to dam the water or waters of any stream or irrigating or mining ditch or any waterway so that the water thus dammed, or any part thereof, shall overflow any public road or highway, or undermine, weaken or damage any bridge, or any walls or embankment of any road, nor shall any person, association or corporation owning or controlling any ditch or irrigated lands, allow any wastewater from the same to flow across or upon any public road or highway. Any person finding a public road or highway or any bridge flooded or damaged by such wastewater may report the same to the road supervisor of the county in which such road, highway or bridge may be located, who shall make an examination and report to the county attorney for the county. If the report of the said road supervisor shows that such damage has occurred, it shall then be the duty of the county attorney to institute proceedings against the party or parties whose negligence has caused such damage.

24-1-117. Restrictions upon damming streams; effect of failure to comply with W.S. 24-1-116.

Any person or persons, company or corporation, violating the provisions of W.S. 24-1-116, shall be liable to a fine not to exceed one hundred dollars (\$100.00), and shall also be liable to the party injured for any damages resulting therefrom.

24-1-119. State highway fund created; income and expenditure.

There is created a fund known as the state highway fund, to the credit of which the state treasurer, who is designated as the state official to receive all amounts paid by the United States under the act of congress approved July 11, 1916, shall place all monies previously received for

the fund, all money subsequently received from the United States, under cooperative agreements as authorized, all money derived from taxes levied for such purpose or appropriated for the fund, all monies received from the sale of state bonds for highway construction or improvement, all money received from the counties under cooperative agreements as hereinbefore authorized, and all other monies received from donations or bequests, which may be accepted by the commission on behalf of the state of Wyoming, or from any source designated by law for that purpose. All monies in the fund shall be available for the purpose of this act without further appropriation and no warrant shall be drawn on the fund excepting on a voucher approved by the director of the department of transportation or an assistant authorized by the director and approved by the transportation commission. It is provided that seventy-five percent (75%) of the amount of any bond issue subsequently issued by the state of Wyoming for the construction or improvement of state highways, after the payment of overhead expense, shall be apportioned to and spent in each county in the proportion which the assessed valuation of each county by the last general assessment bears to the total assessment of the state.

24-1-121. Highways subject to injury from cattle; designation; entry of order; notice to be posted.

The board of county commissioners of every county, wherein is situated any mountain road or highway or portion thereof, which would be liable to receive unusual injury and damage by driving over the same herds of cattle, horses or flocks of sheep, shall have the power, by order entered in the records of such board of commissioners, to designate so much of such road or highway as would be so liable to receive unusual injury and damage, as, not a highway for herds of horses, cattle or flocks of sheep, a notice of which designation shall be posted at convenient and conspicuous places along, and in the vicinity of the portion of such road or highway so designated, which notices shall likewise reasonably point out the lieu road or highway laid out as hereinafter provided.

24-1-122. Highways subject to injury from cattle; designation of substitute highway.

In case of such designation it shall be the duty of the board of county commissioners of such county to provide in lieu of the portion of such highway, so designated, a highway for herds and flocks of cattle, horses and sheep which shall be reasonably safe and convenient for that purpose and shall be a reasonably convenient way of access to the same place that would otherwise be reached by the portions of the road or highway designated as not a highway for cattle, horses or sheep as aforesaid.

24-1-123. Highways subject to injury from cattle; drover's liability.

Any person who shall drive any herd of horses, cattle or flock of sheep over any portion of any road or highway, so designated as not for horses, cattle or sheep as aforesaid, after such designation and the posting of notices as aforesaid, and after the provision of another reasonable highway for cattle, horses and sheep in lieu thereof as aforesaid, shall be liable to the county in which is situated such mountain road or highway, for any and all damages done thereto, by driving over the same, such flocks or herds of cattle, horses or sheep.

24-1-124. Livestock crossings; generally.

The department of transportation may provide suitable livestock crossings on all state highways, having an oil surface, in the state of Wyoming, at places where necessity and convenience require. Ranchmen, farmers and livestock raisers and producers may file with the board of county commissioners of their county a request for livestock crossings, and the various boards of county commissioners shall recommend from time to time to the department of transportation such crossings as they believe will best suit the necessities and convenience of ranchmen, farmers and livestock raisers and producers in their county.

24-1-125. Livestock crossings; construction; length and width.

Such livestock crossings shall be constructed of such material that livestock will readily cross over the same and shall not be less than sixty (60) feet in length and the full width of the highway.

24-1-126. Livestock crossings; signs required.

Livestock crossings shall be indicated by conspicuous signs placed on each side of the highway.

24-1-132. Contracts for county bridge work; bids; exception.

(a) The board of county commissioners of any county shall cause to be prepared comprehensive plans and specifications for the construction of bridges on any dedicated and maintained county road.

(b) As used in this section a bridge is a structure, including supports, erected over a depression or an obstruction, such as water, highway or railway, having a track or passageway for carrying traffic or other moving loads and having an opening measured along the center of the roadway of more than twenty (20) feet between undercopings of abutments, or spring lines of arches, or extreme ends of openings for multiple barrel box culverts. It may include multiple pipes, where the clear distance between openings is less than one-half (1/2) of the smaller contiguous opening.

(c) When any bridge is to be constructed, which includes either new construction or reconstruction of major load carrying bridge components, upon any county road, the estimated cost of which shall exceed twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00), the construction work shall be competitively bid and the bridge work constructed by contract. No contract shall be divided for the purpose of avoiding competitive bidding. The construction work may be described in the published call for bids by stating general requirements. Detailed specifications shall be available to prospective bidders at the county commissioner's office.

(d) All bridges to be constructed shall be designed by a professional engineer who holds a valid certificate of registration granted by the state board of examining engineers of the state of Wyoming. Plans and specifications shall be prepared in accordance with the provisions of W.S. 24-2-106.

(e) The board of county commissioners of any county shall cause notices of the contract to be let to be published for two (2) consecutive weeks in a newspaper having general circulation within the state and to take any other means available to achieve as wide a notice as possible, but in no case shall any letting of the contract be held within fifteen (15) days of the last published notice.

(f) All contracts shall be awarded by the county commissioners to the lowest responsible bidder. The county commissioners shall reserve the right to reject any and all bids and to waive irregularities and informalities in the bidding. No final payment upon any contract shall be made until the bridge is examined and the payment approved by the county commissioners or their designees.

(g) Whenever an emergency arises requiring expenditure of funds for the repair or rebuilding of bridges or approaches to bridges the board of county commissioners may enter into contract for any building or rebuilding of bridges or approaches without advertising for the letting of any contract. An emergency is an occasion requiring repair or rebuilding of a bridge or a portion of a bridge when, on short notice, the bridge has become unsafe or impassable due to events which are beyond the control of the county.

Chapter 2 – State Department of Transportation

24-2-110. Cooperation with counties in construction of county roads; allocation of costs; state-county road construction account established.

(a) The board of county commissioners of each county shall establish a separate road construction fund solely for the construction of county roads, bridges and culverts. Work using funds from the road construction fund of a county shall be performed under contract awarded after competitive bidding if the estimated cost of the work exceeds twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00). All work shall be performed under the immediate control and supervision of the board of county commissioners or its authorized representative and in accordance with county road standards as established by the Wyoming county road standards committee. The road construction fund program is a supplement to federal aid, primary and secondary road programs in each county. The term "construction" as used in this section means construction, reconstruction, surveys, mapping, right-of-way costs, bridges, culverts and fencing. The county shall use existing grades, bridges and other physical items or facilities in order to minimize or avoid more costly relocation.

(b) All expenses of maintaining the road after its construction is completed shall be paid by the county.

(c) The gasoline license tax revenues distributed by the state treasurer under W.S. 39-17-111(d)(ii) shall be sent to the county treasurers of the various counties and placed in a separate fund in each county earning its own interest and be expended by the board of county commissioners solely for the road construction fund program and as otherwise provided in this subsection. This money shall be allocated as follows:

(i) To the highway fund, an amount equal to the counties' contribution for the cost of the university's technology transfer program under W.S. 21-17-115(a)(ii) or thirty-one thousand two hundred fifty dollars (\$31,250.00), whichever is less;

(ii) The remainder to the counties and the share allocated to each county shall be based fifty percent (50%) upon the percentage ratio which the rural population including the population within the cities and towns with less than one thousand four hundred (1,400) of each county bears to the total rural population of the state according to the last federal census and fifty percent (50%) based upon the percentage ratio which the area of each county bears to the area of the state. Any interest earned on the investment of monies in the fund created by this subsection shall be retained by each county and shall be used for project costs as authorized by this section.

(d) Use of funds under this section shall not include routine maintenance, however funds may be used on existing county roads in order to improve and eliminate isolated problem areas. Authorized expenditures may include but are not limited to culvert installation, minor grading, cattle guard installation and crushing of gravel for stockpile purposes for use on existing county roads other than state highways.

(e) As used in subsection (c) of this section, "last federal census" means the last official federal census conducted by the bureau of the census to become effective on July 1 next following the receipt of the official census figures.

(f) There is created a Wyoming county road standards committee appointed by the governor consisting of:

(i) Three (3) members nominated by the Wyoming county commissioners association, one (1) of whom shall be a registered professional engineer;

(ii) Two (2) members nominated by the Wyoming association of consulting engineers and surveyors;

(iii) One (1) member nominated by the Wyoming contractors association; and

(iv) One (1) member nominated by the Wyoming association of county engineers and road superintendents.

(g) It shall be the responsibility of the Wyoming county roads standards committee to furnish standards for the construction of county roads to any board of county commissioners upon request, and to advise boards of county commissioners with respect to highway construction and improvements. The committee shall meet as necessary, but at least annually.

(h) Whenever an emergency arises requiring construction work using funds from the road construction fund of a county, the board of county commissioners may enter into contract for the work without advertising for the letting of the contract. An emergency is an occasion requiring

construction work, on short notice, because the road has become unsafe or impassable due to events which are beyond the control of the county.

24-2-112. Contracts and agreements with United States government.

The legislature of the state of Wyoming assents to the provisions of the act of congress approved July 11, 1916, entitled "an act to provide that the United States shall aid the states in the construction of rural post roads, and for other purposes," together with all acts and legislation, amendatory or supplementary, or which shall grant or authorize aid for the construction, improvement, maintenance or repair of public roads or highways. The transportation commission is authorized to enter into all contracts and agreements with the United States government relating to the construction and maintenance of roads under the provisions of the act or acts of congress to submit the scheme or program or construction or maintenance as may be required by the federal highway administration and to do all other things necessary fully to carry out the cooperation contemplated and provided for by the act or acts, for the construction or improvement of highways under the act, the good faith of the state is pledged to make available funds sufficient to equal the sums apportioned to the state by or under the United States government during each of the years for which federal funds are appropriated by section 3 of the act and to maintain the roads so constructed with the aid of funds appropriated and to make adequate provisions for carrying out maintenance. Cooperative agreements under the provisions of the act shall be entered into with the federal highway administration only by the commission, but may be for the construction or improvement of either a state highway or a county road. If the road to be improved under such cooperative agreement is a state highway, the state's share of the expense shall be borne entirely by the state; if the highway to be improved or constructed under such cooperative agreement is not a state highway, the state's share of the cost of the work shall be divided between the state and the county upon such basis as the commission shall determine, and before an agreement is entered into with the federal highway administration the county must furnish the right-of-way and shall have entered into an agreement with the commission whereby it shall agree to pay its share of the cost and to pay the cost of all subsequent maintenance, work which shall be performed by and under the supervision of the director of the department of transportation, and the county also shall pay into the state highway fund its share of the estimated cost of the construction.

Chapter 3 – Establishment, Vacation or Alteration of County Highways

24-3-101. Resolution by county commissioners; petition of county electors; alteration authority specified.

(a) The board of county commissioners of any county, may, on its own motion by resolution duly adopted, where it deems the public interest so requires, initiate the procedure for the establishment, vacation or alteration of a county highway, as the case may be, by setting forth in such resolution the point of commencement, the course and the point of termination of said road to be established, altered or vacated, as the case may be, and thereafter following out the provisions of article 2, chapter 52, Wyoming Revised Statutes, 1931, not inconsistent therewith.

(b) (i) Any person desiring the establishment, vacation or alteration of a county highway shall file in the office of the county clerk of the proper county, a petition signed by five (5) or more electors of the county residing within twenty-five (25) miles of the road proposed to be established, altered, or vacated, in substance as follows: To the Board of County Commissioners of County. The undersigned ask that a county highway, commencing at and running thence and terminating at be established (altered or vacated as the case may be).

(ii) With said petition shall be filed a list containing the names and also the known post office address of each person owning or having an interest in any land over which the proposed establishment, vacation or alteration of a county highway is to be made.

(c) In altering any county highway under this article or any other road dedicated by recorded plat as a public road, a board of county commissioners may change the designation of any road to a private road. If a board alters any road, it shall reserve the access rights of the area landowners and permit governmental agencies to retain access to that road for performing essential public services. It may also designate a nongovernmental entity to be responsible for the maintenance of any road altered pursuant to this section.

24-3-102. Requiring deposit by petitioners.

The board of the county commissioners may require, in their discretion, that the petitioners for the establishment, alteration or vacation of a public road, shall deposit with the county clerk, a sufficient sum of money to defray the expenses of laying out, vacating or altering such road, and such expense, when so incurred, shall be paid out of such deposit. If the road is finally established, altered or vacated, the money so deposited shall be returned to the person who deposited the same.

24-3-103. Viewer; appointment, qualifications and duties generally.

Upon filing of the petition the board of the county commissioners at a regular or special meeting, or the chairman of the board, if in his judgment an emergency exists, shall appoint a suitable and disinterested person, who may be a member of the board of county commissioners, to examine into the expediency of the proposed road, alteration or vacation thereof, and to report immediately.

24-3-104. Viewer; oath; scope of investigation.

The person so appointed shall be termed a viewer, and he shall be sworn by some person or officer authorized by law to administer oaths, before entering upon his duties, to faithfully and impartially discharge his duties, and he shall file his oath in the office of the county clerk. He shall not be confined to the precise matter of the petition, but may inquire or determine whether that, or any road, in the vicinity of the proposed or altered road, answering the same purpose is required.

24-3-105. Viewer; factors to be considered.

In forming his judgment the viewer shall take into consideration both the public and private convenience, and also the expense of the proposed road.

24-3-106. Viewer; report.

The said viewer shall report in writing to the board of the county commissioners, whether or not in his judgment, said proposed road is practicable, and ought or ought not be established, altered or vacated, as the case may be, stating the probable expense of the same, including damages to the property owners along the line thereof, the benefits thereto, and such other matters therein as shall enable the said board to act understandingly in the premises.

24-3-107. Viewer; compensation.

The board of the county commissioners shall allow the said viewer such reasonable compensation for his services as they shall determine and fix upon.

24-3-108. Roads established by consent of landowners.

Public roads shall be established without the appointment of a viewer, or without any other proceeding, than the order of the board of county commissioners; provided, that the written consent of all the owners of the land to be used for that purpose, be first filed in the office of the county clerk, and when it is shown to the satisfaction of the said board that the said road is of sufficient importance to be opened and traveled, they shall make an order establishing the same. The board of the county commissioners, when in their judgment such action shall be in the interests of economy or the public good, may purchase or receive donations or rights-of-way for a public road, or any alteration thereof, or any part thereof, from any and all persons along the route thereof, and declare the same opened, whenever the consent of the owners of the land through which said proposed road or alteration shall run, has been obtained, either by the donations of land or when an amicable adjustment of the amount to be paid therefore has been made between such landowners and said board; and all roads or parts of roads or alteration of roads heretofore opened or made, by consent or adjustment of damages, without recourse to other proceedings, are hereby declared to be public roads, the same as if such roads had been legally opened, or said alterations legally made.

24-3-109. Survey of proposed location for new road; recordation required.

If, upon considering and acting upon the report of the viewer, or otherwise, the board of the county commissioners shall decide to lay out such road, they shall cause the county surveyor to make an accurate survey thereof, if such survey is deemed necessary, and to plat and record the same in the book provided by the county for such purpose; and a copy of said plat and notes of survey shall, without unnecessary delay, be filed in the office of the county clerk.

24-3-110. Notice of location of road to be published or posted; notice by mail to property owners.

(a) Notice shall be published of the proposed location or alteration of any road for three (3) successive weeks in three (3) successive issues of some official newspaper published in the county, if any such there be, and if no newspaper be published therein, such notice shall be posted in at least three (3) public places along the line of said proposed or altered road, which notice may be in the following form:

To all to whom it may concern: The Board of County Commissioners have decided to locate (or alter, as the case may be) a road commencing at in County, Wyoming, running thence (here describe in general terms the points and courses thereof), and terminating at

All objections thereto or claims for damages by reason thereof must be filed in writing with the county clerk of said county, before noon on the day of A.D. or such road will be established (or altered) without reference to such objections or claims for damages.

.....County Clerk

Dated A.D.

(b) The county commissioners shall cause a copy of the above notice to be mailed by registered mail to all persons owning lands or claiming any interest in any lands over or across which said road is proposed to be located or altered. The publication and posting of such notice shall be a legal and sufficient notice to all persons owning lands or claiming any interest in lands over which the proposed road is to be located or altered.

24-3-111. Objections and claims for damages; when filed.

If the board of the county commissioners shall determine to establish, lay out or alter any road, they shall appoint a day, not less than thirty (30) days after such determination, on or before which day all objections to the establishment, alteration or vacation of the proposed road, and claims for damages by reason thereof, shall be filed with the county clerk.

24-3-112. Objections and claims for damages; when barred.

No objections or claims for damages shall be filed or made after the noon [12:00 p.m.] of the day fixed for filing the same, and if no objections or claims for damages are filed, on or before noon [12:00 p.m.] of the day fixed for filing the same, they shall be disregarded, and not considered, and shall be deemed to have been waived and barred.

24-3-113. Objections and claims for damages; continuance of hearing upon filing.

If objections to the establishment, altering or vacating of the road, or if any claims for damages shall be filed, the further hearing of the application may be continued by the board until the matter can be properly disposed of.

24-3-114. Appraisers; number; appointment; qualifications; duties generally; report.

When claims for damages are filed, at the next regular meeting or special meeting of the board of the county commissioners, or as soon thereafter as may be practicable and convenient, the said board shall appoint three (3) suitable and disinterested electors of the county as appraisers, to view the ground, on a day fixed by said board, and they shall report their doings in the matter and file their report in writing with the county clerk within thirty (30) days after the date of their appointment, fixing the amount of the damages sustained by the claimants.

24-3-115. Appraisers; notification of appointment required; contents.

The county clerk shall cause each of the said appraisers to be notified in writing, of his appointment, stating in said notice, first, the names of all appraisers, second, the names of all claimants for damages, on account of the location or alteration of the said road, with the amount of damages asked by each claimant, third, stating when their report must be filed, and fourth, the law relating to their duty as found in W.S. 24-3-116. The county clerk shall prepare suitable blanks, for such notice, for the oath of the appraisers and for the report, a proper number of which shall be forwarded by him to them.

24-3-116. Appraisers; specific duties enumerated; compensation.

The said appraisers shall, within ten (10) days after receiving notice of their appointment, meet at some convenient place, on the line of said proposed or altered road, and take and administer to each other, an oath or affirmation to faithfully and impartially discharge their duties. They shall then view the ground, so far as they shall deem it necessary, and fix the amount of damages sustained by each claimant, after allowing for all benefits that may accrue to each claimant, by reason of the location or alteration of the said proposed road. They, or a majority of them, shall as soon as practicable, after performing their said duties, make a report in writing to the county clerk of their doings, stating that they were so sworn or affirmed as aforesaid, before performing their duties and fixing the amount of damages, if any, sustained by each claimant, after allowing and deducting for benefits, and where they have disallowed claims for damages, they shall so state in their report, and they shall immediately transmit their report, when made, to the county clerk. They shall, whenever they can conveniently do so, notify the claimants or their agents, of the place of their meeting and may hear such evidence as they may deem necessary in determining the amount of damages fixed by them. They are hereby authorized to administer oaths to each other and to such witnesses as they may hear. If any one (1) of them shall fail or refuse to perform his duty, the other two (2) appraisers shall serve and shall appoint a suitable and disinterested elector in his place, who shall be within easy access, and he shall be sworn or affirmed in like manner as the other two (2) appraisers, and the facts of such appointment and qualification shall be stated in said report to the county clerk. The said appraisers shall each receive for his compensation such reasonable sum as the board of county commissioners shall allow.

24-3-117. Neglect of duty by appraiser or viewer.

If any viewer or appraiser shall refuse or neglect to perform any of the duties required by law or shall fail to act after his appointment, without a satisfactory excuse for such refusal or neglect, he shall be fined in any sum not exceeding fifty dollars (\$50.00), upon his conviction thereof in any court of competent jurisdiction, and such fine when collected shall be paid into the county treasury for the benefit of the road fund.

24-3-118. Hearing before county commissioners; determination and payment of damages; entry on land; abandonment prohibited; records; surveys.

(a) At the next meeting of the county commissioners after the report of the appraisers has been filed, or as soon thereafter as may be practicable, the said board may hear testimony and consider petitions for and remonstrances against the establishment or alteration, as the case may be of any road, or may establish or alter any road or may refuse so to do, as in the judgment of the said board, the public good may require, but in case there shall be no claim for damages filed, they shall act as speedily as possible in the matter. Said board may increase or diminish the damages allowed by the appraisers, and may make such establishment or alteration of any road, dependent or conditioned upon the payment, in whole or in part, of the damages awarded or expenses incurred in relation thereto by the petitioners for such road or such alteration of any road.

(b) The amount of damages awarded, if any, shall immediately be paid to the person or persons entitled thereto or deposited with the county clerk for delivery to such person or persons, which payment shall be without prejudice to the right of such person or persons to appeal to the district court as provided by law.

(c) When the road has been established and the award has been paid by the board of county commissioners or by the department of transportation, to the person or persons entitled, or deposited with the county clerk, the highway authorities and their contractors and employees may take possession and exercise full control of the land within the right-of-way of the road so established.

(d) After the county or the department of transportation has taken possession of the right-of-way, there shall be no abandonment of the establishing of the highway, and in the event of an appeal by an owner of real estate affected to the district court from the award finally made by the board of county commissioners, the board shall pay the amount finally determined to be due.

(e) A certificate, authorized by the board of county commissioners and signed by its chairman, setting forth the legal description of the property taken shall be recorded in the office of the county clerk, and indexed in like manner and with like effect as if it were a conveyance of the easement or right-of-way from said owners to the county.

(f) If, upon considering and acting upon the report of the viewers or otherwise, the board of county commissioners shall decide to lay out or alter any road, they shall cause the county

surveyor to make an accurate survey thereof, if such survey is necessary, and to plat the same in books to be provided by the county for such purpose, and the county clerk shall record in the same books opposite or near to such plat so that the same may be easily ascertained to be concerning the platted road, the proceeding of the said board in relation to the location, establishment or alteration of said road, in order to keep in a separate book a record of all the county roads of that county.

24-3-119. Appeals from decisions of county commissioners; notice; bond required.

Any applicant for damages claimed, or caused by the establishment or alteration of any road, may appeal from the final decision of the board of the county commissioners to the district court of the county, in which the land lies, for the taking of which for a public road, damages are asked; but notice of such appeal must be made to the county clerk, within thirty (30) days after such decision has been made by the said board, or such claim shall be deemed to have been abandoned. No appeal shall be allowed, unless a good and sufficient bond be given by the party appealing, in a sum not less than fifty dollars (\$50.00) to cover costs, said bond to be approved by the clerk of the district court.

24-3-120. Appeals from decisions of county commissioners; duties of county clerk.

The county clerk shall, within ten (10) days after the notice of an appeal as provided for in W.S. 24-3-119 is filed in his office, make out and file in the office of the clerk of the district court, in his county, a transcript of the papers on file in his office, and the proceedings of the board in relation to such damages.

24-3-121. Appeals from decisions of county commissioners; recovery of damages; court costs.

The amount of damages to which the claimant shall be entitled on such appeal shall be ascertained in the same manner as in a civil action, and the amount so ascertained, if any, shall be entered of record, but no judgment shall be entered therefore. The amount thus ascertained shall be certified by the clerk of the court to the county clerk who shall thereafter proceed as if such amount had been allowed by the board of the county commissioners to the claimant as damages. If the appellant shall fail to recover an amount exceeding fifty dollars (\$50.00) above the amount allowed to him by the board of the county commissioners, he shall pay all costs of the appeal.

24-3-122. Condemned land tax free during use by state.

No taxes covering the real estate taken by the county or the department of transportation for rights-of-way shall be assessed, or charged against the land owner or owners during the time that rights-of-way are being used for the purposes for which they were established.

24-3-123. Effect of location of new road on route of previous road.

The establishment of a new road on the route of a road already established according to law, shall not vacate any road previously established, unless such vacation shall be ordered by the board of the county commissioners.

24-3-124. Removal of fences on right-of-way.

Whenever a public road is ordered to be established or altered, according to the provisions of this act, which shall pass through, or on enclosed lands, the road overseer, or other proper officer, shall give the owner, agent or occupant of such lands, notice in writing to remove the fences thereon, and if such owner, agent or occupant shall not move his fence, within thirty (30) days thereafter, the same may be removed by the proper officer, and the road opened and worked; and such owner shall forfeit and pay twenty dollars (\$20.00) for each day he shall permit his fence to remain after said thirty (30) days, and shall pay all necessary cost of removal, to be collected by the proper officer, in any court of competent jurisdiction, for the use and benefit of the general county road fund.

24-3-125. Streets in unincorporated towns or villages declared public roads; working.

All public streets of towns or villages, not incorporated, are a part of the public roads, and all road overseers, or persons having charge of the same, in their respective districts or counties, shall work the same as provided by law or ordered by the board of the county commissioners of the proper county.

24-3-126. Abandonment of portion of highway upon reconstruction or relocation of existing highway; relinquishment to county or city in lieu of abandonment.

(a) The transportation commission may abandon or relinquish any portion of state highways upon the reconstruction or relocation of any portion of an existing state highway.

(b) Prior to abandonment of any portion of a state highway, the transportation commission shall offer the highway to the governing body of any county or city in which the highway is located. Upon being notified of the transportation commission's intent to abandon any portion of a state highway, the governing body of the county or city shall comply with the procedures provided for in paragraph (c)(ii) of this section in order to initiate transfer of the state highway.

(c) The abandonment or relinquishment of any portion of state highways shall be conclusively evidenced by the resolution entered in the minute record of the commission. A certified copy of the resolution shall be recorded by the secretary of the transportation commission in the office of the county clerk of any county in which abandoned or relinquished highway right-of-way is located. Abandonment or relinquishment shall not affect the rights of corporations or their successors in interest acquired under the provisions of W.S. 1-26-813 to continue the operation and maintenance of transmission and distribution lines constructed upon the right-of-way and shall not affect the rights of any corporation or successors in interest to continue to maintain any facility lawfully in the highway right-of-way at the time of any

abandonment or relinquishment. Corporations shall have the right to go upon these lands for the purposes associated with maintenance or use of their facility. Specific rules regarding relinquishment and abandonment are:

(i) Upon the entry of the resolution of abandonment in the minute record of the commission, all title and interest, except as herein provided, to the highway right-of-way shall pass to and vest in the present adjacent landowner according to the portion contributed by adjacent landowner or his predecessor in interest;

(ii) Instead of abandonment, the transportation commission may, upon written request, relinquish to any county or city any portion of a state highway within the county or city proposed to be removed from the state highway system. The request shall be in the form of a resolution adopted by the governing body of the county or city, indicating that the portion of the state highway sought by the governing body will be used for a local public purpose enumerated in the resolution and expressing the agreement of the county or city to assume all responsibility with regard thereto. Relinquishment by the transportation commission shall be by entry of the resolution of relinquishment in the minute record of the commission and by quitclaim deed effective upon recordation in the office of the county clerk and recorder of any county in which the real property is located.

24-3-127. Cooperative agreements with federal agencies to construct, maintain and use roads within county.

The board of county commissioners of any county of this state may, in its discretion, enter into cooperative agreements with the forest service of the U.S. department of agriculture or other federal agency to provide for the joint construction, maintenance and use of roads located within the boundaries of the county, where such roads are used by the forest service or other federal agency in the protection, administration and utilization of the national forests and national recreation areas or other federal lands and are also used by communities or persons within or adjacent to such national forests or other federal lands in the use and development of the resources thereof or where such roads otherwise serve the needs of the public.

24-3-201. Purpose of procedure.

The legislature finds that due to inaccurate and inconsistent records, there exist roads which are seldom used, not maintained and are not identified as or believed by the public to be county roads but are, in fact, county roads. Recognizing the numerous difficulties resulting from the existence of such county roads, the legislature finds it in the best interest of the public to create a procedure to identify county roads, thereby altering and vacating these abandoned or unnecessary county roads without survey.

24-3-202. Definitions.

(a) As used in this act:

(i) "Board" means the board of county commissioners of any county;

(ii) "This act" means W.S. 24-3-201 through 24-3-206.

24-3-203. Board may identify county roads through specified procedure; resolution; terms; limited to not more than 1 per area.

(a) Notwithstanding W.S. 24-1-102 and 24-3-101 through 24-3-127, when it finds the public interest so requires, the board may initiate the identification procedure under this act for county roads in the county by adopting a resolution to which maps shall be incorporated by reference which shall indicate a general description of all county roads in the area described in the map which shall be unaffected by identification under the resolution. No county road shall be listed as unaffected by a resolution under this act unless it was established under other law. No map incorporated into the resolution shall describe an area of less than six hundred forty (640) acres.

(b) The board shall not adopt more than one (1) resolution identifying county roads under this act in any area of the county.

(c) No road shall be vacated or altered under this act if it is currently identified and maintained as a county road. The identification procedure under this act shall not be used to establish a county road which was not previously established under other law.

24-3-204. Notice of identification to be published.

(a) Prior to adoption of a resolution identifying county roads in any area in the county, notice of the proposed identification shall be published for four (4) successive weeks in four (4) successive issues in a newspaper of general circulation in the county in substantially the following form:

NOTICE OF IDENTIFICATION OF COUNTY ROADS UNDER W.S.
24-3-201 THROUGH 24-3-206

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: The Board of County Commissioners intends to identify county roads in the following areas of (name of county) county under the identification procedure contained in W.S. 24-3-201 through 24-3-206: (general description of areas described in the map, i.e. USGS Quad map, section, township, range, etc.)

The only county roads in the township which shall exist after this identification procedure are described as follows:

(Road name, road number or petition number)

All other county roads within the area identified in the map which are not described above shall be accordingly vacated upon adoption of the resolution for identification. All objections to or claims for damage by reason of this identification procedure shall be filed in writing with the county clerk of this county before 12:00 noon [12:00 p.m.] on the day of (not less than thirty (30) days after publication of the fourth notice) or the county roads will be vacated as indicated without reference to the objections or claims.

(b) The notice shall include a map of each area affected indicating the approximate location of county roads which shall exist after the proposed identification action.

24-3-205. Objections and claims for damages; when filed; when barred; procedure for considering.

(a) If the board initiates identification of county roads under this act, the board shall establish a date not less than thirty (30) days after the fourth notice is published, by which all objections to and claims for damages by reason of the identification shall be filed with the county clerk.

(b) Objections to or claims for damages by reason of identification under this act filed after 12:00 noon [12:00 p.m.] on the date established in subsection (a) of this section shall not be considered by the board and are deemed waived.

(c) If claims for damage are filed under this section, the claims shall be considered in the same manner as provided under W.S. 24-3-114 through 24-3-121.

24-3-206. Effect of identification.

If the board identifies roads under this act, the roads designated as county roads in the identification action shall be the only county roads within the area identified and all other county roads within the area identified are accordingly altered or vacated. The board shall direct the county clerk to and the county clerk shall record the identification as an entry in the abstract of lands books as if it were a conveyance of rights from the county to the lands affected. Roads identified as county roads under this act, shall not be county roads unless the county has a valid title or recorded easement to the right-of-way.

Chapter 5 – Industrial Road Program

24-5-101. Program in addition to any existing road program.

The road construction program contemplated by this act [§§ 24-5-101 through 24-5-122] shall be known as "The Industrial Road Program", which shall be in addition to and not as a substitute for any federal aid, primary, secondary and farm-to-market road program or state-county road construction program or any other road program now in existence.

24-5-102. Board of county commissioners to incite procedure for industrial road.

A board of the county commissioners of any county may on its motion by resolution duly adopted where it deems the public interest so requires and a road-building emergency prevails incite the procedure for the establishment of an industrial road. The course and the point of termination of the road shall be determined by the board of the county commissioners. Before a board of the county commissioners of a county or counties can initiate the road program herein, it must have the cash money available for the project as described. Upon the adoption of such resolution by the board of the county commissioners of one (1) or more counties, it shall immediately notify the transportation commission of Wyoming of its intentions to establish a proposed industrial road.

24-5-103. Three viewers to examine industrial road proposal; appointment of viewers.

Three (3) viewers shall be appointed to examine into the expediency of the proposed industrial road and to make their report immediately. One (1) viewer shall be appointed by the board of the county commissioners at a regular or special meeting or the chairman of the board, if in his judgment an emergency exists, shall appoint a suitable and disinterested elector of the county, who may be a member of the board of the county commissioners; one (1) viewer shall be appointed by the member of the transportation commission in whose district the proposed industrial road is located, and the other viewer shall be appointed by the two (2) previously appointed viewers, which viewer shall not be a resident of the county in which the proposed industrial site is located.

24-5-104. Viewers to be sworn; scope of inquiry.

The persons so appointed shall be designated as viewers and they shall be sworn by some person or officer authorized by law to administer oaths before entering upon their duties, and they shall file their oaths in the office of the county clerk. They shall not be confined to the precise matter of the petition but may inquire or determine whether an industrial road in the vicinity is required.

24-5-105. Viewers to consider certain standards.

In forming their judgment the viewers shall take into consideration both the public and private convenience, and also the expense of the proposed road.

24-5-106. Viewers to report to county commissioners.

The said viewers shall report in writing to the board of the county commissioners, whether or not, in their judgment, said proposed road is practicable, and ought to be established, and state the probable expense of the same including damages to the property owners along the line thereof, and such other matters as shall enable the board to act understandingly in the premises.

24-5-107. Compensation of viewers.

The board of the county commissioners shall allow said viewers such reasonable compensation for their services as they shall determine.

24-5-108. Department of transportation to survey, plat and record proposed road.

If upon considering and acting upon the report of the viewers the board of the county commissioners shall decide to lay out a road, they shall contact the department of transportation which shall provide an accurate survey and plat and record the same in the book provided in the county for that purpose; a copy of the plat and notes of the survey shall without unnecessary delay be filed in the office of the county clerk.

24-5-109. Notice of proposed location of road; form of notice; publication; posting; registered mail.

(a) Notice shall be published of the proposed location of such road once weekly for three (3) successive weeks in the official newspaper published in said county, if any there be, and if no newspaper be published therein such notice shall be posted in at least three (3) public places along the line of such proposed industrial road, which notice shall be in the following form:

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: The Board of the County Commissioners have decided to locate a road commencing at in County, Wyoming, running thence (here describe in general terms the points and courses thereof), and terminating at

All objections thereto or claims for damages by reason thereof must be filed in writing with the County Clerk of said county, before noon [12:00 p.m.] on the day of, (year), or such road will be established without reference to such objections or claims for damages.

Dated

County Clerk.....

(b) At the time the initial notices are published, the board of the county commissioners shall cause a copy of the above notice to be mailed by registered mail to all persons owning lands or any persons interested in lands over and across which said road is proposed to be located. The publication and posting of said notice shall be a legal and sufficient notice to all persons owning lands or claiming any interest in lands over which proposed road is to be located.

24-5-110. Fixing date for filing objections or claims for damages.

The board of the county commissioners shall appoint a day not less than twenty (20) days after such publication or posted notice on or before which day all objections to the establishment of the industrial road and claim for damages by reason thereof shall be filed with the county clerk.

24-5-111. Failure to file objections or claims for damages deemed waiver.

No objections or claims for damages shall be filed or made after the noon [12:00 p.m.] of the day fixed for filing the same. If no objections or claim for damages are filed, all such claims shall be deemed to have been waived and are barred.

24-5-112. Hearing continued until matter disposed of when objections filed.

If objections to the establishment of the industrial road or if any claim for damages is filed, a further hearing may be continued by the board until the matter can be disposed of.

24-5-113. Board to appoint appraisers to fix amount of damages; report.

When claims for damages are filed at the next regular meeting or special meeting of the board of the county commissioners, the board shall appoint three (3) disinterested electors of the county as appraisers to view the ground on a day as fixed by the board and they shall report their findings in the matter and file the report in writing with the county clerk within ten (10) days thereafter, fixing the amount of damages sustained by the claimants.

24-5-114. Notification to appraisers of appointment; contents.

The county clerk shall cause each of said appraisers to be notified of his appointment stating in said notice first, the names of all appraisers; second, the names of all claims for damage on account of the location of the industrial road with the amount of damages asked by each claimant; third, stating when the report must be filed. The county clerk shall prepare suitable blanks for such notice, for the oath of appraisers, and for the report, a proper number of which shall be forwarded by him to them.

24-5-115. Duties of appraisers; report to county commissioners; compensation.

The said appraisers shall within seven (7) days after receiving notice of their appointment meet at some convenient place on the line of the proposed industrial road, take and administer to each other an oath or affirmation to faithfully and impartially discharge their duties. They shall view the ground so far as they shall deem it necessary and fix the damages sustained by each claimant, after allowing for all benefits that may accrue to each claimant. By reason of the location of the industrial road they, or a majority of the appraisers shall make a report in writing to the board of the county commissioners within seven (7) days relating that they were sworn and affirmed as aforesaid and fixing the damages sustained by each claimant, if any, after allowing and deducting for benefits and where they have disallowed claims for damages they shall so state in their report. The said appraisers shall receive for their compensation such reasonable sum as the board of the county commissioners shall allow.

24-5-116. Road established; awards paid; certificate of legal description of property to be filed.

At the next meeting of the board of the county commissioners after receipt of the report of the appraisers, or as soon thereafter, as may be practicable, the board may hear testimony and consider petitions for and remonstrances against the establishment of such industrial road. In case there shall be no claim for damages filed, they shall act as speedily as possible in the matter. The board may increase or diminish the damages allowed by the appraisers. The amount of damages awarded, if any, shall immediately be paid to the person or persons entitled thereto or deposited with the county clerk for delivery, which payment shall be without prejudice to the right of such person or persons to appeal to the district court as provided by law. When the road has been established and the award paid by the board of the county commissioners to the person or persons entitled thereto or deposited with the county clerk, the highway authorities and the contractors and employees may take possession and exercise full control of the lands within the right-of-way of the road so established. A certificate, authorized by the board of the county commissioners and signed by its chairman, setting forth the legal description of the property taken shall be recorded in the office of the county clerk and indexed in like manner and with like effect as if it were a conveyance of the easement or right-of-way from said owners to the county.

24-5-117. Construction under supervision of director of department of transportation; division of construction costs.

The transportation commission shall cooperate with the respective counties of the state in the construction of the industrial road program. All work under the industrial road program shall be performed under the immediate control and supervision of the director of the department of transportation or his authorized representative and in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by the director or the chief engineer, which work in the county is known as its industrial road program and shall be promptly commenced upon request of its board of the county commissioners, which request shall contain the pledge of the county for contribution as specified. The term "construction" as used in this section shall include construction, reconstruction, surveys, mapping, right-of-way costs, bridges, culverts and fencing, in all of which whenever and to the extent possible the department of transportation shall use existing grades, bridges and other physical items or facilities in order to minimize or avoid more costly construction. Fifty percent (50%) of all expense shall be paid by the department of transportation, and the other fifty percent (50%) of the construction costs shall be paid by the board of the county commissioners of the county or counties concerned.

24-5-118. Industrial road program account.

The transportation commission shall set aside and appropriate out of funds in their possession or under their control, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of four million dollars (\$4,000,000.00) at the beginning of each biennium to be placed in an account known as the industrial road program account within the highway fund. All funds not used during each biennium shall lapse and be returned to the general account of the highway fund.

24-5-119. Counties to match state funds; maximum amount of county expenditures; exception; acquisition of right-of-way.

Any county participating in the industrial road program shall match money equally with money set aside pursuant to W.S. 24-5-118. These funds may be derived from any funds in the respective county budget now available or any monies which may subsequently be budgeted for this program, provided, however, no county shall expend on this program in excess of one million dollars (\$1,000,000.00) each and every biennium. This act shall not apply to any project having a total cost of less than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) total. The board of the county commissioners of each county shall acquire the right-of-way for any industrial road, the expense of which shall be charged against the industrial road program.

24-5-120. Industrial road to be designated as county road.

The industrial road, when completed, shall be designated as a county road and shall be the county responsibility as to maintenance and repair.

24-5-121. Priority of road projects.

(a) In the event there are more county applications than the transportation commission has money available, the transportation commission shall determine which road project shall have priority based on these qualifications:

(i) Priority of notice from the board of the county commissioners;

(ii) County money actually available for the project and deposited with the transportation commission;

(iii) Traffic count;

(iv) Number of people project will service as evidenced by information furnished by the county or counties interested in the project;

(v) Tax value of the area served by the industrial road as shown on the assessment rolls of the county or counties involved in the project from information furnished by the county assessor of said county or counties.

24-5-122. Counties may associate on road project.

Two (2) or more counties may associate themselves together in connection with any industrial road project.

Chapter 6 – Access Facilities

24-6-101. Purpose.

The legislature hereby finds, determines, and declares that this act [§§ 24-6-101 through 24-6-110] is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety, and for the promotion of the general welfare.

24-6-102. Access facility defined.

For the purpose of this act [§§ 24-6-101 through 24-6-110], an access facility is defined as a highway or street especially designed for through traffic, and over, from or to which owners or occupants of abutting land or other persons have no right or easement or only a limited right or easement of access, light, air, or view by reason of the fact that their property abuts upon such controlled access facility or for any other reason. Such highways or streets may be parkways, from which trucks, buses and other commercial vehicles may be excluded; or they may be freeways open to use by all customary forms of street and highway traffic.

24-6-103. Highway authorities to plan access facilities; scope and limitations of authority.

The highway authorities of the state, counties, cities, towns, and villages, acting alone or in cooperation with each other or with any federal, state, or local agency of any other state having authority to participate in the construction and maintenance of highways, are hereby authorized to plan, designate, establish, regulate, vacate, alter, improve, maintain, and provide access facilities for public use wherever such authority or authorities are of the opinion that traffic conditions, present or future, will justify such special facilities; provided, that within cities, towns and villages such authority shall be subject to such municipal consent as may be provided by law. Said highway authorities of the state, counties, cities, villages, and towns, in addition to the specific powers granted in this act [§§ 24-6-101 through 24-6-110], shall also have and may exercise, relative to access facilities, any and all additional authority now or hereafter vested in them relative to highways or streets within their respective jurisdictions. Said units may regulate, restrict, or prohibit the use of such access facilities by the various classes of vehicles or traffic in a manner consistent with W.S. 24-6-102.

24-6-104. Powers of highway authorities generally.

The highway authority of the state, county, city, town, or village may designate and establish access highways as new and additional facilities or may designate and establish an existing street or highway as included within an access facility. The state or any of its subdivisions shall have authority to provide for the elimination of intersections at grade of access facilities with existing state and county roads, and city and town or village streets, by grade separation or service road, or by closing off such roads and streets at the right-of-way boundary line of such access facility; and after the establishment of any access facility, no highway or street which is not part of said facility shall intersect the same at grade. No city, town, or village street, county or state highway or other public way shall be opened into or connected with any such access facility without the consent and previous approval of the highway authority in the state, county, city, town, or village

having jurisdiction over such limited access facility. Such consent and approval shall be given only if the public interest shall be served thereby.

24-6-105. Design and regulation of access to highway.

The highway authorities of the state, county, city and town are authorized to design any access facility and to regulate, restrict or prohibit access as in their opinion may best serve the traffic for which the facility is intended. When an access facility is established under the authority of this act [§§ 24-6-101 through 24-6-110] and if rights of ingress or egress are granted and designated by the highway authorities at specified points along the access facility as provided, the means of ingress or egress to and from the access facility shall be limited to the use designated by the transportation commission. In the event the commission grants a private and not a commercial entrance or access to the highway, the entrance or point of access shall not be used for or in connection with the conduct of any roadside business or other commercial enterprise. The highway authorities are authorized to divide and separate any access facility into separate roadways by the construction of raised curbs, central dividing sections, or other physical separations, or by designating separate roadways by signs, markers, stripes, and the proper lane for such traffic by appropriate signs, markers, stripes and other devices. No person shall have any right of ingress or egress to, from, or across access facilities to or from abutting lands, except at such designated points at which access may be permitted, for the use for which access may be permitted, and upon such terms and conditions as may be specified by proper authority from time to time, or as specifically provided for.

24-6-106. Acquisition of public or private property.

For the purposes of this act [§§ 24-6-101 through 24-6-110], the highway authorities of the state, county, city, town, or village may acquire private or public property and property rights for access facilities and service roads, including rights of access, air, view, and light, by gift, devise, purchase or condemnation in the same manner as such units are now or hereafter may be authorized by law to acquire such property or property rights in connection with highways and streets within their respective jurisdictions. All property rights acquired under the provisions of this act shall be in fee simple where conditions permit, otherwise by appropriate easement.

24-6-107. Agreements respecting financing and planning.

The highway authorities of the state, city, county, town, or village are authorized to enter into agreements with each other, or with the federal government, respecting the financing, planning, establishment, improvement, maintenance, use, regulation, or vacation of access facilities or other public ways in their respective jurisdictions, to facilitate the purposes of this act [§§ 24-6-101 through 24-6-110].

24-6-108. Property rights of abutting residents.

No access facility shall be constructed without providing for the property rights of residents whose homes or places of business are now located on or abut the said proposed access facility. In all such cases, provisions shall be made to afford said residents access to said facility within

five hundred (500) feet of their homes or places of business; or in the alternative, and at the option of the proper highway authorities, service roads shall be built so as to afford said residents a convenient route to the nearest city, town or village adjoining them.

24-6-109. Local service roads or streets.

In connection with the development of any access facility the state, county, city, town, or village highway authorities are authorized to plan, designate, establish, use, regulate, alter, improve, maintain, and vacate local service roads and streets or to designate as local service roads and streets any existing road or street, and to exercise jurisdiction over service roads in the same manner as is authorized over access facilities under the terms of this act [§§ 24-6-101 through 24-6-110], if in their opinion, such local service roads and streets are necessary or desirable. Such local service roads or streets shall be of appropriate design, and shall be separated from the access facility proper by means of all devices designated as necessary or desirable by the proper authority.

24-6-110. Prohibited acts.

(a) It shall be unlawful for any person to:

(i) Drive a vehicle over, upon, or across any curb, central dividing section, or other separation or dividing line on access facilities;

(ii) Make a left turn, a semicircular, or U-turn except through an opening provided for that purpose in the dividing curb section, separation, or line;

(iii) Drive any vehicle except in the proper lane provided for that purpose and in the proper direction and to the right of the central dividing curb, separation section, or line;

(iv) Drive any vehicle into the access facility from a local service road except through an opening provided for that purpose in the dividing curb or dividing section or dividing line which separates such service road from the access facility proper.

(b) The performance of a prohibited act shall not be unlawful if necessitated by an emergency resulting from the then existing condition of such access facility or local service road. If access to the facility is made by means of cutting or removal of a fence or gate, the person so doing shall be liable for its repair or replacement under the direction of the department of transportation. Any person who violates any of the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon arrest and conviction shall be punished by a fine of not less than five dollars (\$5.00) nor more than one hundred dollars (\$100.00).

24-6-111. Service stations not to be constructed or located within right-of-way.

No automotive service station or other commercial establishment for serving motor vehicle users shall be constructed or located within the right-of-way of, or on publicly owned or publicly leased land acquired or used for or in connection with, an access facility, as defined by W.S. 24-6-102.

Title 31 – Motor Vehicles

Chapter 5 – Regulation of Traffic on Highways

31-5-109. General powers of local authorities.

(a) This act does not prevent local authorities with respect to streets and highways under their jurisdiction and within the reasonable exercise of the police power from:

- (i) Regulating or prohibiting stopping, standing or parking;
- (ii) Regulating traffic by means of police officers, authorized flagmen or official traffic-control signals;
- (iii) Regulating or prohibiting processions or assemblages on the highways;
- (iv) Designating particular highways or roadways for use by traffic moving in one (1) direction as authorized by W.S. 31-5-208;
- (v) Repealed By Laws 2002, Ch. 68, § 2.
- (vi) Designating any highway as a through highway or designating any intersection or junction of roadways as a stop or yield intersection or junction;
- (vii) Regulating the operation of bicycles and requiring the registration and licensing of bicycles, including the requirement of a registration fee;
- (viii) Regulating or prohibiting the turning of vehicles or specified types of vehicles;
- (ix) Altering or establishing speed limits as authorized by this act;
- (x) Requiring written accident reports as authorized by W.S. 31-5-1106;
- (xi) Designating no-passing zones as authorized in W.S. 31-5-207;
- (xii) Prohibiting or regulating the use of controlled-access roadways by any class or kind of traffic as authorized in W.S. 31-5-213;
- (xiii) Prohibiting or regulating the use of heavily traveled streets by any class or kind of traffic found to be incompatible with the normal and safe movement of traffic;

(xiv) Establishing minimum speed limits as authorized by W.S. 31-5-304(b);

(xv) Designating and regulating traffic on play streets;

(xvi) Regulating persons propelling push carts;

(xvii) Regulating persons upon skates, coasters, sleds, motorized skateboards and other toy vehicles;

(xviii) Adopting and enforcing such temporary or experimental regulations as may be necessary to cover emergencies or special conditions;

(xix) Prohibiting drivers of ambulances from exceeding maximum speed limits;

(xx) Adopting such other traffic regulations as are specifically authorized by this act.

(b) No local authority shall erect or maintain any official traffic-control device at any location so as to require the traffic on any state highway to stop before entering or crossing any intersecting highway unless approval in writing has first been obtained from the highway department.

(c) No ordinance or regulation enacted under paragraphs (a)(iv), (v), (vi), (viii), (ix), (x), (xiii) or (xv) of this section is effective until official traffic-control devices giving notice of the local traffic regulations are erected upon or at the entrances to the highway or part thereof affected as may be most appropriate.

31-5-110. Limitations upon powers of local authorities; exceptions as to municipal authorities.

(a) Except as otherwise provided, local authorities shall not require any person to pay any fee or license for the use or exclude any person from the free use of the public highways or in any other way regulate the operation of motor vehicles or their speed upon or use of the public highways. Local authorities may, within their legal corporate limits:

(i) Regulate the operation of vehicles offered for hire, or forming a part of processions, assemblages or parades on public highways or public grounds;

(ii) Close for a reasonable time a specified highway for speed contests or races, with proper safety restrictions and regulations;

(iii) Exclude motor vehicles from any cemetery or burial ground; and

(iv) Exclude motor vehicles used solely for commercial purposes from any park or part of a park system.

31-5-303. Establishing maximum speed limits by local authorities.

(a) Repealed By Laws 2002, Ch. 68, § 2.

(b) Local authorities in their respective jurisdictions shall determine by an engineering and a traffic investigation the proper maximum speed for all streets and highways within their city limits under their corporate jurisdiction and shall declare a reasonable and safe maximum limit thereon which may be greater or less than the maximum speed permitted under this act for an urban district.

(c) Any altered limit established under this section shall be effective during hours of darkness or at other times as may be determined when appropriate signs giving notice thereof are erected upon the street or highway.

(d) Any alteration of maximum limits on state highways or extensions thereof in a municipality by local authorities is not effective until the alteration has been approved by the superintendent.

(e) Not more than six (6) alterations authorized under this section shall be made per mile along a street or highway, except in the case of reduced limits at intersections, and the difference between adjacent limits shall not be more than fifteen (15) miles per hour.

31-5-305. Special speed limit at bridges and other elevated structures.

(a) No person shall drive a vehicle over any bridge or other elevated structure constituting a part of a highway at a speed which is greater than the maximum speed which can be maintained with safety to the bridge or structure when the structure is signposted as provided in this section.

(b) The superintendent and local authorities on highways under their respective jurisdictions may conduct an investigation of any bridge or other elevated structure constituting a part of a highway, and if he or they find that the structure cannot with safety to itself withstand vehicles traveling at the speed otherwise permissible under this act, the superintendent or local authorities shall determine and declare the maximum speed of vehicles which the structure can safely withstand and shall cause or permit suitable signs stating the maximum speed to be erected and maintained before each end of the structure.

(c) Upon the trial of any person charged with a violation of this section, proof of the determination of the maximum speed by the superintendent and the existence of the signs constitutes conclusive evidence of the maximum speed which can be maintained with safety to the bridge or structure.

31-5-401. Duty of local authorities to place and maintain.

Local authorities in their respective jurisdictions shall place and maintain such traffic-control devices upon highways under their jurisdiction as they deem necessary to indicate and to carry out the provisions of this act or local traffic ordinances or to regulate, warn or guide traffic. All traffic-control devices hereafter erected shall conform to the state manual and specifications.

31-5-501. Authority to place signs prohibiting, regulating or restricting parking; handicapped parking; obedience to signs required; free parking areas.

(a) The highway department with respect to highways under its jurisdiction, and boards of county commissioners of the counties or any duly appointed board of trustees of any fairgrounds, airports, parks, pleasure grounds or recreational systems or other duly constituted state or local public boards, with respect to public lands under their supervision and control, may place signs prohibiting, regulating the time of or restricting the parking of vehicles where in the opinion of the commission or board having jurisdiction thereof, parking is dangerous to those using highways, public ways or areas where the parking of vehicles would unduly interfere with the free movement of traffic thereon, or where it is necessary to regulate parking for the welfare of the general public or for the proper use of public lands.

(b) Signs reserving parking spaces for the handicapped in public places under the jurisdiction of the government agencies described in subsection (a) of this section or placed on private property by the real property owner pursuant to W.S. 31-5-111 shall be constructed of durable material, contain the international symbol of accessibility, be no less than twelve inches (12") by eighteen inches (18") in size and be placed above ground level so as to be visible at all times and not be obscured by a vehicle parked in that space. Parking spaces for the handicapped shall be located on the shortest possible accessible circulation route to an accessible entrance of the building. In public parking lots of ten (10) or more parking spaces, at least two percent (2%) of the total number of available parking spaces but not less than one (1) space shall be reserved for the handicapped. Handicapped parking spaces shall allow easy entrance and exit for wheelchairs and be located on a level surface.

(c) The signs specified under this section and W.S. 31-5-111(b) shall be official signs and it is unlawful for any person to willfully park a vehicle in violation of the restrictions, regulations or prohibitions stated on the signs. This subsection shall not prohibit use of handicapped parking spaces provided under subsection (b) of this section by a person issued a distinctive handicapped license plate or transferable identification card by another state and displaying the plate or card on a vehicle used by this person.

(d) For public convenience, commissioners or boards having jurisdiction to regulate parking of vehicles shall provide free parking areas adequate to accommodate at least twenty percent (20%) of the number of vehicle parking spaces for which a fee is charged.

31-5-502. Penalty for violation of W.S. 31-5-501.

Every person who is convicted of a violation of W.S. 31-5-501 is guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof by any court of competent jurisdiction, is subject to a fine of not more than fifty dollars (\$50.00).

31-5-503. Erection and maintenance of traffic-control devices to designate through highways.

The superintendent with reference to state highways and local authorities with reference to other highways under their jurisdiction may erect and maintain stop signs, yield signs or other traffic-control devices to designate through highways, or to designate intersections or other roadway junctions at which vehicular traffic on one (1) or more of the roadways should yield or stop and yield before entering the intersection or junction.

31-5-504. Specific places where prohibited.

(a) Except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with law or the directions of a police officer or traffic-control device, no person shall:

(i) Stop, stand or park a vehicle:

(A) On the roadway side of any vehicle stopped or parked at the edge or curb of a street;

(B) On a sidewalk;

(C) Within an intersection;

(D) On a crosswalk;

(E) Between a safety zone and the adjacent curb or within thirty (30) feet of points on the curb immediately opposite the ends of a safety zone, unless a different length is indicated by signs or markings;

(F) Alongside or opposite any street excavation or obstruction when stopping, standing or parking would obstruct traffic;

(G) Upon any bridge or other elevated structure upon a highway or within a highway tunnel;

(H) On any railroad tracks;

(J) On any controlled-access highway;

(K) In the area between roadways of a divided highway, including crossovers;

(M) At any place where official traffic-control devices prohibit stopping.

(ii) Stand or park a vehicle, whether occupied or not, except momentarily to pick up or discharge a passenger or passengers:

(A) In front of a public or private driveway;

(B) Within fifteen (15) feet of a fire hydrant;

(C) Within twenty (20) feet of a crosswalk at an intersection;

(D) Within twenty (20) feet upon the approach to any flashing signal, stop sign, yield sign or traffic-control signal located at the side of a roadway;

(E) Within twenty (20) feet of the driveway entrance to any fire station and on the side of a street opposite the entrance to any fire station within seventy-five (75) feet of the entrance when properly signposted;

(F) At any place where official traffic-control devices prohibit standing.

(iii) Park a vehicle, whether occupied or not, except temporarily for the purpose of and while actually engaged in loading or unloading property or passengers:

(A) Within fifty (50) feet of the nearest rail of a railroad crossing;

(B) At any place where official traffic-control devices prohibit parking.

(b) No person shall move a vehicle not lawfully under his control into any prohibited area or away from a curb such a distance as is unlawful.

31-5-505. Roadways outside of business or residence districts.

(a) Outside a business or residence district no person shall stop, park or leave standing any vehicle, whether attended or unattended, upon the roadway when it is practicable to stop, park or so leave the vehicle off the roadway, but in every event an unobstructed width of the highway opposite a standing vehicle shall be left for the free passage of other vehicles and a clear view of the stopped vehicles shall be available for a distance of two hundred (200) feet in each direction upon the highway.

(b) This section and W.S. 31-5-504 do not apply to the driver of any vehicle which is disabled in such manner and to such extent that it is impossible to avoid stopping and temporarily leaving the vehicle in that position.

31-5-508. Removal of illegally stopped vehicles.

(a) Whenever any police officer finds a vehicle in violation of W.S. 31-5-505 the officer may move the vehicle, or require the driver or other person in charge of the vehicle to move the vehicle, to a position off the roadway.

(b) Any police officer may remove or cause to be removed to a place of safety any unattended vehicle illegally left standing upon any highway, bridge, causeway, or in any tunnel, in a position or under circumstances which obstruct the normal movement of traffic.

(c) Any police officer may remove or cause to be removed to the nearest garage or other place of safety any vehicle found upon a highway when:

(i) Report has been made that the vehicle has been stolen or taken without the consent of its owner;

(ii) The person in charge of the vehicle is unable to provide for its custody or removal;
or

(iii) When the person driving or in control of the vehicle is arrested for an alleged offense for which the officer is required by law to take the person arrested before a proper judge without unnecessary delay.

31-5-512. Parking alongside curbs or on edge of roadways; angle parking; power of highway department to place devices restricting parking.

(a) Except as otherwise provided in this section every vehicle stopped or parked upon a two-way roadway shall be stopped or parked with the right-hand wheels of the vehicle parallel to and within eighteen (18) inches of the right-hand curb or as close as practicable to the right edge of the right-hand shoulder.

(b) Except as otherwise provided by local ordinance, every vehicle stopped or parked upon a one-way roadway shall be stopped or parked parallel to the curb or edge of the roadway, in the direction of authorized traffic movement, with its right-hand wheels within eighteen (18) inches of the right-hand curb or as close as practicable to the right edge of the right-hand shoulder, or with its left-hand wheels within eighteen (18) inches of the left-hand curb or as close as practicable to the left edge of the left-hand shoulder.

(c) Local authorities may permit angle parking on any roadway, except that angle parking shall not be permitted on any federal-aid or state highway unless the highway department has determined that the roadway is of sufficient width to permit angle parking without interfering with the free movement of traffic.

(d) The highway department with respect to highways under its jurisdiction may place official traffic-control devices prohibiting, limiting or restricting the stopping, standing or parking of vehicles on any highway where in its opinion stopping, standing or parking, is

dangerous to those using the highway or where the stopping, standing or parking of vehicles would unduly interfere with the free movement of traffic. No person shall stop, stand or park any vehicle in violation of the restrictions indicated by the devices.

31-5-801. Operation on highways.

(a) Snowmobiles may be operated upon the highways of Wyoming subject to the following conditions:

(i) Snowmobiles may be operated within the right-of-way but not on the main traveled roadway except as provided hereafter;

(ii) Crossings of main-traveled roadways shall be made at right angles to the roadway or as nearly so as practicable, but in any case yielding the right-of-way to all traffic in the main-traveled roadway;

(iii) Snowmobiles may be operated on the highways within the cities and towns pursuant to ordinance;

(iv) Snowmobiles may be operated on the main-traveled roadway when the highway is closed to wheeled vehicular traffic or subject to approval of the state highway department, upon a designated and posted portion of a state roadway within the boundaries of a national park;

(v) If allowed by the county commissioners, snowmobiles may be operated on a designated and posted portion of a county roadway.

Chapter 13 – Abandoned Vehicles

31-13-104. Abandonment on highway or property; removal; presumption of abandonment; title to vehicle; notice of intent to impound.

(a) No person shall abandon a vehicle upon any highway.

(b) No person shall abandon a vehicle upon any public or private property without the express consent of the owner or person in lawful possession or control of the property.

(c) Any police officer who has reasonable grounds to believe that a vehicle has been abandoned may remove the vehicle, or cause it to be removed, at the expense of the owner to a place of impoundment designated by the county commissioners of the county in which the vehicle is impounded. Removal of an abandoned vehicle from private property by a police officer shall be upon the written request, upon a form prescribed by the department, of the owner or person in lawful possession or control of the property. The police department having jurisdiction shall immediately send a written report of the removal by a police officer to the sheriff of the county in which the vehicle is impounded, which report shall include a description of the vehicle, the date, time and place of removal, the grounds for removal, and place of impoundment of the vehicle. The sheriff of the county in which the vehicle is impounded shall

submit the report provided by the police department to the department with a determination of the retail value of the vehicle as required in this subsection. Upon receipt of a report as provided, the department shall provide written notification to the vehicle owner of record and to lienholders of record, stating the grounds for removal by a police officer and the name of the place of impoundment of the vehicle. Notice shall not be required if the retail value of an abandoned vehicle removed by a police officer is six hundred dollars (\$600.00) or less as determined by the sheriff of the county in which the vehicle is impounded. As to vehicles not registered in this state, the department shall make a reasonable effort to notify the owner or any lienholder of removal by a police officer and the place of impoundment of the vehicle. The department shall forward a copy of the notice to the owner or person in charge of the place of impoundment of a vehicle removed by a police officer.

(d) For purposes of this section a vehicle is presumed to be abandoned if it is left unattended on a highway for more than twenty-four (24) hours after a notice of intent to impound has been placed on it pursuant to subsection (f) of this section, or on any public or private property without express consent of the owner or person in lawful possession or control of the property for more than five (5) days after a notice of intent to impound has been placed on it pursuant to subsection (f) of this section. Notwithstanding any other provisions of law to the contrary, any vehicle left unattended on private property for thirty (30) days after the expiration of the consent, oral or written, of the owner or the person in lawful possession or control of the property is presumed abandoned five (5) days after a notice of intent to impound has been placed on it pursuant to subsection (f) of this section. A transportable home impounded pursuant to this section shall be disposed of in accordance with W.S. 31-13-109.

(e) Except as otherwise provided by law, title to any vehicle impounded by a police officer not reclaimed by the registered owner or any lienholder within thirty (30) days of the notice provided by subsection (c) of this section shall vest with the county government where the vehicle is impounded.

(f) A notice of intent to impound an abandoned vehicle by a police officer shall be placed in a prominent position on a vehicle when a police officer reasonably believes it is abandoned. The notice of intent shall remain on the vehicle at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to removal if abandoned on a highway and five (5) days if abandoned on public or private property and impounded by a police officer.

Chapter 18 – Size and Weight Limits

31-18-801. Definitions.

(a) As used in this article:

(i) "Agricultural operations" means the raising and harvesting of their own crops or livestock in this state by farmers or ranchers, their exchange between farmers or ranchers or the transportation of implements of husbandry to or from farmers or ranchers by persons engaged in the business of selling or repairing such implements;

(ii) "Axle" means the common axis of rotation of one (1) or more wheels, whether power driven or freely rotating, and whether in one (1) or more segments, and regardless of the number of wheels carried thereon;

(iii) "Axle group" means an assemblage of two (2) or more consecutive axles considered together in determining their combined load effect on a bridge or pavement structure;

(iv) "Axle load" means the total load transmitted to the road by an assembly of two (2) or more wheels whose centers are in one (1) transverse vertical plane or may be included between two (2) parallel transverse vertical planes forty (40) inches apart extending across the full width of the vehicle;

(v) "Axle measurement" means the distance between axles to the nearest foot. When fractional measurement is exactly one-half (1/2) foot, the next larger whole number shall be used;

(vi) Repealed By Laws 1998, ch. 46, § 2.

(vii) "Cargo" means the items or freight to be moved, including items placed on or in a vehicle towed by a vehicle or a vehicle itself;

(viii) "Connecting mechanism" means an arrangement of parts interconnecting two (2) or more consecutive axles to a vehicle in such a manner as to equalize the load between axles;

(ix) "Department" means the department of transportation;

(x) "Director" means the director of the department of transportation;

(xi) "Dummy axle" means an axle attached independently to a vehicle whose suspensions are not adjustable and do not articulate or substantially equalize the load and are so designed and placed as to indicate the appearance of a normal axle group;

(xii) "Forest products" means logs, poles, posts, rough lumber, wood chips, sawdust and any other product of the forest which will require further processing;

(xiii) "Gross weight" means the total weight of a vehicle and vehicle combinations including the weight of any load carried in or on the vehicle and vehicle combinations;

(xiv) "Height" means the total vertical dimension of any vehicle above the ground surface including any load or load-holding device thereon;

(xv) "Highway" means a public way maintained by the department for the purpose of vehicular travel, including rights-of-way or other interests in land, embankments, retaining walls, culverts, sluices, drainage structures, bridges, railroad-highway crossings, tunnels, signs, guardrails and protective structures;

(xvi) "Interstate or national defense highway" means highways which are designated as part of the interstate system by the transportation commission which are signed and marked accordingly;

(xvii) "Implement of husbandry" means a vehicle or vehicles manufactured or designed and used exclusively for the conduct of agricultural operations and only incidentally operated on or moved on highways;

(xviii) "Length" means the total longitudinal dimension of any vehicle or combination of vehicles, including any load or load-holding device thereon, but excluding any device or appurtenance attached to the front or rear of a semitrailer or trailer whose function is related to the safety of, or efficient operation of the unit or contents. Excluded devices include but are not limited to air hose glad hands, fifth wheel slide plates, dock bumpers, air deflectors and refrigeration units. No excluded devices shall be designed or used for carrying cargo;

(xix) "Load" means a weight or quantity of anything resting upon something else regarded as its support;

(xx) "Motor vehicle" means a vehicle which is self-propelled or propelled by electric power obtained from overhead trolley wires but not operating on rails;

(xxi) "Permit" means a written authorization to move or operate on a highway a vehicle or vehicle with a load of size or weight exceeding the limits as specified by statute, which are limited by this act and regulations of the department;

(xxii) "Primary and secondary highways" means highways which are designated as part of the primary or secondary system by the transportation commission which are signed and marked accordingly;

(xxiii) "Safety device" means any piece of equipment or mechanism, including rear view mirrors, pin pockets not to exceed three (3) inches on each side and other devices designated by the director, attached to a vehicle to assure its safe operation and to assure the safe movement of a load hauled by the vehicle;

(xxiv) "Semitrailer" means every vehicle of a trailer type not equipped with propelling power so designed for carrying property and used in conjunction with a motor vehicle that some part of its own weight and load rests upon or is carried by another vehicle;

(xxv) "Single axle" means an assemblage of two (2) or more wheels, whose centers are in one (1) transverse vertical plane or may be included between two (2) parallel transverse vertical planes forty (40) inches apart extending across the full width of the vehicle;

(xxvi) "Single axle load" means the total load transmitted to the road by a single axle;

(xxvii) "Single vehicle" means one (1) vehicle or one (1) unit of a combination of vehicles as a truck-tractor, semitrailer or trailer;

(xxviii) "Tandem axle" means any two (2) or more consecutive load bearing axles whose centers are more than forty (40) inches but not more than ninety-six (96) inches apart and articulate from an attachment to the vehicle including a variable load suspension or connecting mechanism designed to distribute the load between axles;

(xxix) "Tandem axle load" means the total weight transmitted to the road by two (2) or more consecutive axles whose centers may be included between parallel transverse vertical planes spaced more than forty (40) inches and not more than ninety-six (96) inches apart, extending the full width of the vehicle;

(xxx) "Trailer" means every vehicle not equipped with propelling power, designed for carrying property and for being drawn by a motor vehicle which carries no part of the weight and load of a trailer on its own wheels;

(xxxi) "Truck" means a motor vehicle designed, used or maintained primarily for the transportation of property;

(xxxii) "Truck-tractor" means a motor vehicle designed and used primarily for drawing other vehicles but not for loads other than a part of the weight of the vehicles and load drawn. For the purpose of this article, a truck-tractor equipped with a dromedary unit shall be considered a part of the weight of the vehicle and not a load thereon and a truck-tractor and semitrailer engaged in the transportation of automobiles may transport motor vehicles on part of the power unit;

(xxxiii) "Variable load suspension axle" means an axle that may be adjusted to vary the weight carried by the axle;

(xxxiv) "Vehicle" means a device in, upon or by which any person or property may be transported or drawn upon a highway, except devices moved by human power or used exclusively upon rails or tracks;

(xxxv) "Vehicle combination" means any connected assemblage of a motor vehicle and one (1) or more other vehicles;

(xxxvi) "Width" means the total outside transverse dimension of a vehicle including any load or load-holding devices thereon, but excluding approved safety devices and tire bulge due to load;

(xxxvii) "Motor home" means a motor vehicle designed, constructed and equipped as a dwelling place, living abode or sleeping place, either permanently or temporarily, but excluding a motor vehicle carrying a camper;

(xxxviii) "Recreational vehicle" means as defined in W.S. 31-16-101(a)(xxiii);

(xxxix) "Truck camper" means a portable unit constructed to provide temporary living quarters for recreational, travel or camping use, consisting of a roof, floor and sides, designed to be loaded onto and unloaded from the bed of a pickup truck.

31-18-802. General requirements.

(a) All vehicles operated on the highways of this state shall comply with the following:

(i) Width - all highways:

(A) No vehicle, unladen or with load or load-holding device thereon shall exceed one hundred two (102) inches in width. Notwithstanding the foregoing, appurtenances on noncommercial motor homes, house trailers and truck campers may exceed one hundred two (102) inches in width if they extend no further than the exterior rear view mirrors of the motor home, tow vehicle or pickup truck, in the case of a truck camper, provided such mirrors only extend the distance necessary to provide the required field of view for the vehicle before the appurtenances were attached.

(ii) Height - all highways:

(A) No vehicle, unladen or with load or load-holding devices thereon, shall exceed fourteen (14) feet in height.

(iii) Notwithstanding paragraphs (i) and (ii) of this subsection, implements and produce of husbandry of greater widths or greater heights may be moved in agricultural operations during daylight hours, without a permit or fee, but subject to and in accordance with regulations promulgated by the department for the protection of persons, property, highways and bridges. Regarding movement of implements of husbandry not exceeding sixteen (16) feet in width or height, the rules and regulations shall:

(A) Not require the use of escort vehicles provided the implement is kept to the right of the center line;

(B) Require the display of an oversize vehicle sign and warning lights as approved by the department.

(iv) Length - all highways:

(A) No combination of vehicles shall consist of more than three (3) single vehicles. No single vehicle shall have an overall length in excess of sixty (60) feet;

(B) In a truck-tractor semitrailer combination, no semitrailer shall exceed sixty (60) feet in length. In a truck-tractor, semitrailer, trailer combination or truck-tractor double semitrailer combination, the length of the semitrailer shall not exceed forty-eight (48) feet and the length of the trailer or second semitrailer shall not exceed forty (40) feet. The combined length of the semitrailer and trailer or semitrailer shall not exceed eighty-one (81) feet including

connecting mechanisms. For any other combination of vehicles the overall length shall not exceed eighty-five (85) feet;

(C) In a truck-tractor, semitrailer, trailer or double semitrailer combination, the heavier towed vehicle shall be directly behind the truck-tractor and the lighter towed vehicle shall be last if the weight difference between consecutive towed vehicles exceeds five thousand (5,000) pounds.

(v) Weights:

(A) The wheels of all vehicles except those operated at a speed of less than ten (10) miles per hour shall be equipped with pneumatic tires;

(B) No wheel equipped with solid tires shall carry a load in excess of eight thousand (8,000) pounds;

(C) No wheel shall carry a load in excess of ten thousand (10,000) pounds. No tire on a steering axle shall carry a load in excess of seven hundred fifty (750) pounds per inch of tire width and no other tire on a vehicle shall carry a load in excess of six hundred (600) pounds per inch of tire width. "Tire width" means the width stamped on the tire by the manufacturer;

(D) No single axle shall carry a load in excess of twenty thousand (20,000) pounds;

(E) No tandem axle shall carry a load in excess of thirty-six thousand (36,000) pounds and no one (1) axle of any group of two (2) consecutive axles shall exceed the weight permitted on a single axle;

(F) No triple axle, consisting of three (3) consecutive load bearing axles that articulate from an attachment to the vehicle including a connecting mechanism or variable load suspension axle to keep all axles at or below legal limits, having a spacing between the first and third axles greater than ninety-six (96) inches and not more than one hundred two (102) inches, shall carry a load in excess of forty-two thousand (42,000) pounds;

(G) Subject to the limitation imposed by the axle load, no vehicle or combination of vehicles shall be operated on the interstate or national defense highways exceeding the maximum weight allowed under federal law and unless in compliance with Table I corresponding to a distance in feet between the extremes of any axle groups measured longitudinally to the nearest foot except that vehicles with two (2) consecutive sets of tandem axles may carry a gross load of thirty-six thousand (36,000) pounds each if the distance between the first and last axles of the consecutive sets of tandem axles is thirty-six (36) feet or more;

(H) Vehicles operating on primary and secondary highways may operate in accordance with Table I or Table II at the discretion of the operator as follows:

(I) For vehicles operating under gross weight Table I, the total gross weight in pounds imposed on the highway by any group of two (2) or more consecutive axles on a vehicle

or combination of vehicles shall not exceed the value given in gross weight Table I, corresponding to a distance in feet between the extremes of any axle groups measured longitudinally to the nearest foot except that two (2) consecutive sets of tandem axles may carry a gross load of thirty-six thousand (36,000) pounds each if the distance between the first and last axles of the consecutive sets of tandem axles is thirty-six (36) feet or more;

(II) For vehicles operating under the provisions of gross weight Table II, the total gross weight in pounds imposed on the highway by a vehicle or combination of vehicles shall not exceed the value given in gross weight Table II, corresponding to the distance in feet between the extremes of the vehicle or combination of vehicles measured longitudinally to the nearest foot;

(III) Vehicles with two (2) consecutive sets of tandem axles with a distance of less than twenty-two (22) feet between the first and last axles of the consecutive sets shall comply with gross weight Table I.

(J) A variable load suspension axle shall produce a distribution of weight to prevent an axle or axle group from exceeding allowable weights as specified in this paragraph. Dummy axles shall not be considered in the determination of allowable weights;

(K) The following general formula is applied in preparing gross weight Table I:

$$W=500[LN/(N - 1) + 12N + 36]$$

Where: W = overall gross weight on any group of two (2) or more consecutive axles to the nearest five hundred (500) pounds.

L = distance in feet between extremes of any group of two (2) or more consecutive axles.

N = number of axles in the group under consideration.

(vi)

GROSS WEIGHT TABLE I

	Maximum gross weight in pounds carried on any group of two more consecutive axles							
	2 axles	3 axles	4 axles	5 axles	6 axles	7 axles	8 axles more	9 or axles
4	36,000							
5	36,000							
6	36,000							
7	36,000							
8	36,000	42,000						
9	39,000	42,500						
10	40,000	43,500						
11		44,000						
12		45,000	50,000					
13		45,500	50,500					
14		46,500	51,500					
15		47,000	52,000					
16		48,000	52,500	58,000				
17		48,500	53,500	58,500				
18		49,500	54,000	59,000				
19		50,000	54,500	60,000				
20		51,000	55,500	60,500	66,000			
21		51,500	56,000	61,000	66,500			
22		52,500	56,500	61,500	67,000			
23		53,000	57,500	62,500	68,000			
24		54,000	58,000	63,000	68,500	74,000		
25		54,500	58,500	63,500	69,000	74,500		
26		55,500	59,500	64,000	69,500	75,000		
27		56,000	60,000	65,000	70,000	76,000		
28		57,000	60,500	65,500	71,000	76,500	82,000	
29		57,500	61,500	66,000	71,500	77,000	82,500	
30		58,500	62,000	66,500	72,000	77,500	83,000	
31		59,000	62,500	67,500	72,500	78,000	83,500	
32		60,000	63,500	68,000	73,000	78,500	84,500	90,000
33			64,000	68,500	74,000	79,000	85,000	90,500
34			64,500	69,000	74,500	80,000	85,500	91,000
35			65,500	70,000	75,000	80,500	86,000	91,500
36	Two (2)							
37	consecutive		66,000	70,500	75,500	81,000	86,500	92,000
38	sets of							
39	tandem		66,500	71,000	76,000	81,500	87,000	93,000
40	axles							
41	may carry		67,500	72,000	77,000	82,000	87,500	93,500
42	36,000							
43	pounds		68,000	72,500	77,500	82,500	88,500	94,000
44	each if							
45	the		68,500	73,000	78,000	83,500	89,000	94,500
46	distance							

	is 36	69,500	73,500	78,500	84,000	89,500	95,000
42	feet or more	70,000	74,000	79,000	84,500	90,000	95,500
43	between						
	the	70,500	75,000	80,000	85,000	90,500	96,000
44	consecutive						
	sets	71,500	75,500	80,500	85,500	91,000	96,500
45	of tandem						
	axles	72,000	76,000	81,000	86,000	91,500	97,500
46		72,500	76,500	81,500	87,000	92,500	98,000
47		73,500	77,500	82,000	87,500	93,000	98,500
48		74,000	78,000	83,000	88,000	93,500	99,000
49		74,500	78,500	83,500	88,500	94,000	99,500
50		75,500	79,000	84,000	89,000	94,500	100,000
51		76,000	80,000	84,500	89,500	95,000	100,500
52		76,500	80,500	85,000	90,500	95,500	101,000
53		77,500	81,000	86,000	91,000	96,500	102,000
54		78,000	81,500	86,500	91,500	97,000	102,500
55		78,500	82,500	87,000	92,000	97,500	103,000
56		79,500	83,000	87,500	92,500	98,000	103,500
57		80,000	83,500	88,000	93,000	98,500	104,000
58			84,000	89,000	94,000	99,000	104,500
59			85,000	89,500	94,500	99,500	105,000
60			85,500	90,000	95,000	100,500	105,500
61			86,000	90,500	95,500	101,000	106,000
62			87,000	91,000	96,000	101,500	107,000
63			87,500	92,000	97,000	102,000	107,500
64			88,000	92,500	97,500	102,500	108,000
65			88,500	93,000	98,000	103,000	108,500
66			89,000	93,500	98,500	104,500	110,000
68			90,500	95,000	99,500	104,000	109,000
67			90,000	94,000	99,000	105,000	110,500
69			91,000	95,500	100,000	105,500	111,000
70			92,000	96,000	101,000	106,000	111,500
71			92,500	96,500	101,500	106,500	112,000
72			93,000	97,000	102,000	107,000	112,500
73			93,500	98,000	102,500	107,500	113,000
74			94,500	98,500	103,000	108,500	113,500
75			95,000	99,000	104,000	109,000	114,000
76			95,500	99,500	104,500	109,500	115,000
77			96,000	100,000	105,000	110,000	115,500
78			97,000	101,000	105,500	110,500	116,000
79			97,500	101,500	106,000	111,000	116,500
80			98,000	102,000	106,500	111,500	117,000
81			98,500	102,500	107,000	112,000	
82			99,000	103,000	108,000	113,000	
83			100,000	104,000	108,500	113,500	
84				104,500	109,000	114,000	
85				105,000	109,500	114,500	
86				105,500	110,000	115,000	
87				106,000	111,000	115,500	
88				107,000	111,500	116,000	
89				107,500	112,000	117,000	
90				108,000	112,500		
91				108,500	113,000		
92				109,000	113,500		
93				110,000	114,000		
94				110,500	115,000		
95				111,000	115,500		
	or more						

(vii)

GROSS WEIGHT TABLE II
PRIMARY AND SECONDARY HIGHWAYS

Distance in feet between the extremes of the first and last axle of any vehicle or combinations of vehicles	Maximum gross weight in pounds
10	43,500
11	45,000
12	48,000
13	50,000
14	52,000
15	54,000
16	54,000
17	54,000
18	56,000
19	58,000
20	62,000
21	64,000
22	65,000
23	66,000
24	66,000
25	66,000
26	66,000
27	66,000
28	66,000
29	66,000
30	67,000
31	68,000
32	69,000
33	70,000
34	71,000
35	72,000
36	73,000
37	74,000
38	75,000
39	76,000
40	76,000
41	76,000
42	76,000
43	76,000
44	76,000
45	77,000
46	77,400
47	78,300
48 or more	80,000

(viii) The director may reduce the maximum allowable axle loads and gross weight limits for specific highways or sections thereof or for bridges under his jurisdiction if the continued operation of vehicles or combinations of vehicles would create undue damage to the highways or bridges. Any person owning or operating a vehicle or combination of vehicles in violation of reduced load limits when posted or otherwise appropriately marked is liable for damage to the highway or bridge in question in addition to the penalties provided by law;

(ix) There is no obligation on the state to heighten any bridge, tunnel or other structure on highways because of the provisions of this act [§§ 31-18-801 through 31-18-808]. The director may reduce the size and weight limits of vehicles and loads on state and federal highways if, in his discretion, road conditions require;

(x) A board of county commissioners may by resolution adopt any or all of the provisions of this act to apply to county roads under their jurisdiction. The sheriff shall have enforcement authority on county roads under W.S. 31-18-805 for provisions adopted.