



Ohio Revised Code

Section 5553.03 Width of county roads.

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(A) Except as provided in division (B) of this section, all public roads located and established by the board of county commissioners subsequent to September 6, 1915, shall be of such width, not less than thirty feet, as is determined by the board. If a public road is established upon a county or state line, the board may determine the width of the strip of land in the county to be used for such purposes, but such width shall not be less than fifteen feet.

(B) The board of county commissioners may locate and establish public roads that are less than thirty but not less than twenty feet in width, when all of the following conditions are met:

(1) The roads have been in continuous existence and use as private roads since at least 1952, and are located in land platted as a subdivision outside of the limits of a municipal corporation;

(2) It is proved to the satisfaction of the board that the acquisition of additional land necessary to meet the width otherwise applying under division (A) of this section will involve or result in damage to structures or dwellings adjacent to the roads;

(3) The county engineer submits to the board a detailed report on the kinds and amount of traffic using the roads, and showing that the lesser width is adequate to serve anticipated traffic volumes without endangering persons using the roads.
