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D. R. Cook, County Judge
Umatilla County Court House
Pendleton, Oregon

Re: East Birch Creek Road

Dear Judge Cook:

I would like to inquire into the status of East Birch Creek Road, which is designated as County Road No. 842 $\frac{1}{2}$ and commences with the intersection with the Pendleton-John Day Highway in the Southern part of the Town of Pilot Rock and extends Southeasterly in the East Birch Creek valley.

It has been the desire of the Town of Pilot Rock that this section of road be transferred to their jurisdiction, so that we can give the adequate police protection required in that area, together with some control over the fire hazards, and other problems arising therefrom. I had just started work on setting up the procedure for transferring jurisdiction in this matter, when I was serving as Deputy District Attorney for Umatilla County. Thereafter, the road was repaired by the county with the idea that it was to be turned over to the Town of Pilot Rock, and since we have not had any papers or notices served upon us to the effect that we are accepting this road, I presume that nothing more has been done. If such be the event, we would still be amenable to your transferring jurisdiction of this road, however there is considerable winter damage which we would naturally want you to repair before doing so.

The county would be free from the maintenance and repairs on this road after transferring the jurisdiction to the Town of Pilot Rock. It is of course your obligation to see that the legal work is completed.

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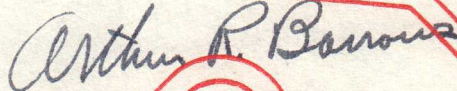
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We would ask that the road be transferred to the jurisdiction of the Town of Pilot Rock commencing at the intersection with the Pendleton-John Day Highway, and up to the Southeast corner of Lot 8 in Block B of McDevitt Addition #2 to the Town of Pilot Rock. This point would coincide with our city limits and would thereby enable us to better administer the problems incurred. In the event the county would like to pay my legal fees, I would set this thing up immediately to get the matter under way, for the reason that it has been approximately one year since anything was done on this matter and possibly nothing is being done at the present time. In the event work has already progressed on it we would be very appreciative.

Very truly yours,



Arthur R. Barrows

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County Engineer
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