



City of Green River
City Council Meeting
Agenda Documentation

Preparation Date: May 30, 2018	Department: Public Works
Meeting Date: June 5, 2018	Department Head: Mark Westenskow
	Presenter: Mark Westenskow

Subject:

Consideration of a Resolution to authorize the submittal of an application to BLM for the recognition of the airport access road.

Background/Alternatives:

The current access road to the Greater Green River Intergalactic Spaceport was constructed in the early 1990's by WYDOT when it realigned WY 530 south of Green River. It crosses about 730' of BLM property between the highway and the City property. At the time, WYDOT believed they had obtained all necessary authorizations for the development of the road. However, the road is not currently shown on the BLM system, perhaps due to a clerical error or oversight in the past. The proposed application would initiate the process to have the existing road recognized on the BLM maps.

Attachments:

Resolution, Airport Access Road Vicinity Map and the WYDOT Letter

Fiscal Impact:

There is no fee for the application. The road is maintained (periodic grading) by the City of Green River Streets Division.

Staff Impact:

Negligible

Legal Review:

Pending

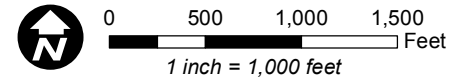
Suggested Motion:

I move to approve the resolution authorizing the Mayor sign the application with the BLM to recognize access to the Greater Green River Intergalactic Spaceport.



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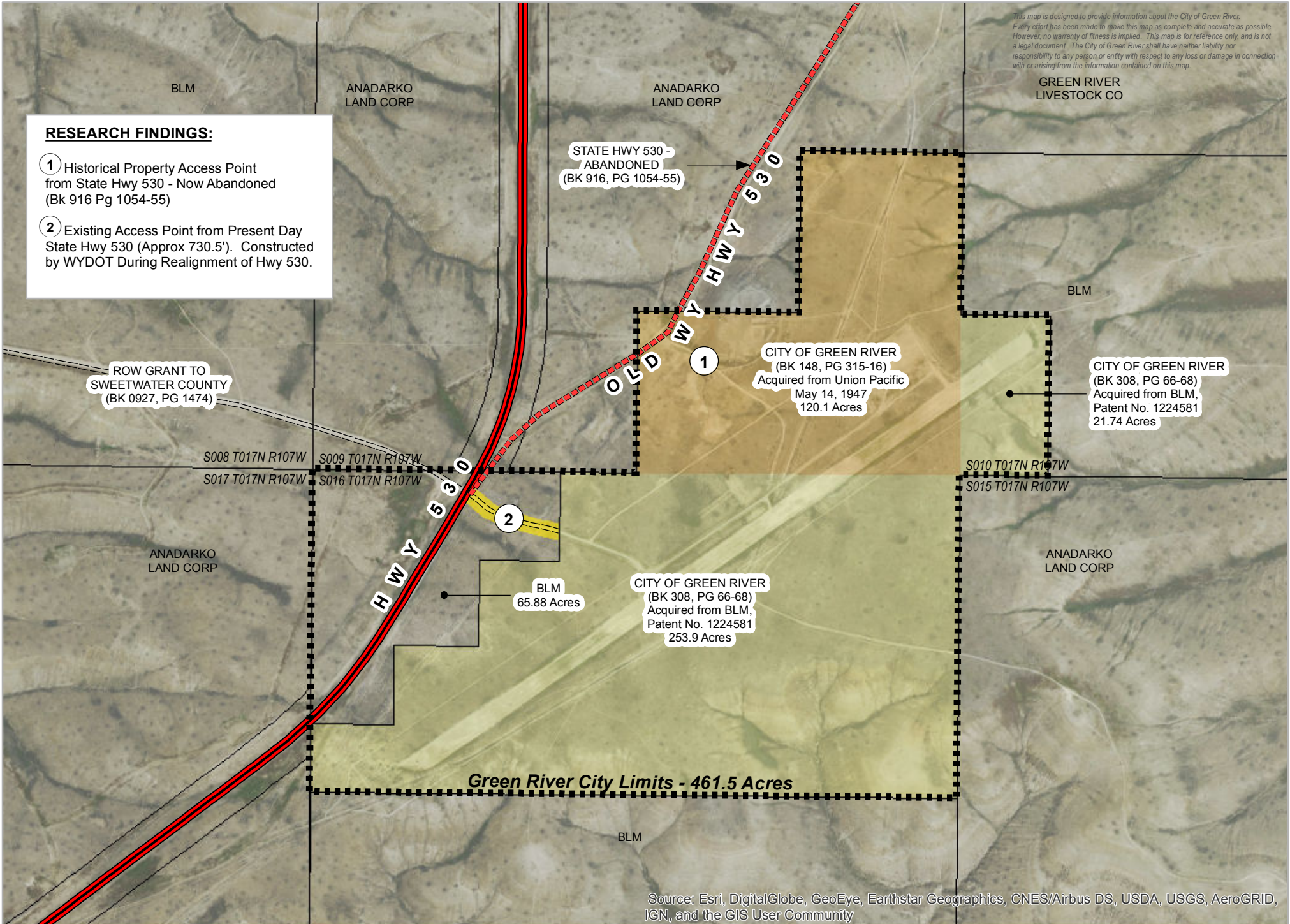
City of Green River - Sweetwater County, Wyoming



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RESEARCH FINDINGS:

- ① Historical Property Access Point from State Hwy 530 - Now Abandoned (BK 916 Pg 1054-55)
- ② Existing Access Point from Present Day State Hwy 530 (Approx 730.5'). Constructed by WYDOT During Realignment of Hwy 530.





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Re: Research Request RR#4568 Greater Green River Intergalactic Spaceport Access

Mark,

I have researched the WYDOT records for the Right-of-Way (ROW) along State Highway 530 in Sweetwater County, through the NW1/4 Section 16, T17N, R107W, and the road designated as "Airport Road" at Hwy Sta. 375+50 on Project No. 1900(15) shown on sheet 8 and in a construction permit on sheet 13 of the plan set.

I have included the relevant documentation with this letter in an email as we discussed on the phone Wednesday afternoon. I also included a sketch showing the correct aliquot designation for the location of the access road into the airport; it is in the NW1/4NE1/4NW1/4 Section 16, not the NW1/4NW1/4NW1/4 as shown on the plans of the highway.

In the Right-of-Way Grant from the BLM as recorded in Book 927 at Page 1474, the corrected legal description for the county road shows that the grant is for the N1/2NW1/4 of Section 16. This ROW Grant is shown on the BLM Master Title Plat as well.

I see that there are several questions as to the location of the access road into the Airport. The ROW Grant from the BLM clearly would cover the area of the roadway in the N1/2NW1/4 of Section 16. The WYDOT Hwy Plans show the roadway as well. The Master Title Plat from the BLM shows the NW1/4NE1/4NW1/4 as being Minerals only, not sure if the BLM sold the minerals or the surface rights to this area, it would take further research with the BLM in order to answer this question. With this evidence the intent of having a road into the Airport would seem to be agreed to by all parties. It would seem that with the ROW Grant and the construction permit that is shown on the construction plans for Project RS-1900(15) and the BLM Master Title Plat showing that the road exists on the Easterly side of Hwy 530 as well, you should be

able to acquire the necessary permits and/or easement grants from the BLM in order to have the legal access into the Airport.

In conclusion it is my opinion that with the evidence of the location of the roadway in the various documentation that the road has existed for many years and is show in several maps and/or plans and it is a clerical error or over site that the documents for the easement have never been clarified and sent to all of the entities involved with procuring this Airport access.

Please review the documentation and make sure that it will meet your requirements. If I can be of any further assistance don't hesitate to contact me.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "George J. Dale".

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