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KOOTENAI COUNTY SURVEYOR'S OFFICE - PLAT NAMING POLICY

The naming of subdivision and condominium plats in Idaho shall conform to I.C. 50-1307 which states: "Designation of townsite and addition -- Necessity of distinctiveness -- Limitations on rule. Plats of towns, subdivisions or additions must not bear the name of any other town or addition in the same county, nor can the same word or words similar or pronounced the same, be used in making a name for said town or addition, except the words city, place, court, addition or similar words, unless the same is contiguous and laid out and platted by the same party or parties platting the addition bearing the same name, or a party files and records the written consent of the party or parties who platted the addition bearing the same name. All plats of the same name must continue the block numbers of the plat previously filed."

The following policies are adopted to clarify this Statute:

1. Plat names must be real words, and shall not use initials, abbreviations, or acronyms.
2. Primary plat names shall not use the words "Subdivision", "Minor", "Addition", "Plat" or "Condominium".
3. Plat names shall not begin with a number unless the number is spelled out.
4. If a proposed subdivision is contiguous to an existing subdivision and proposes to use the same primary name, the subdivider(s) must be the same subdivider(s) of the existing subdivision plat, or must acquire consent from the subdivider(s) of the existing subdivision plat:
    a. Property contiguous to an existing subdivision will be allowed to continue using the existing subdivision name through consecutive phases showing exactly the same subdivision name and continuing the Block numbering scheme of the existing subdivision.
    b. Property adjacent across a public right-of-way may be considered contiguous, and the use of the existing subdivision name will be allowed through consecutive phases showing exactly the same subdivision name and continuing the Block numbering scheme of the existing subdivision.
5. If a proposed subdivision is not contiguous to an existing subdivision and proposes to use a same or similar primary name, a new or different unique secondary name is required. (ie: Emerald Estates, Emerald Hills & Emerald Subdivision) The Block numbering scheme will restart in these plats.
6. Subdivisions recorded in phases shall be named as follows:
    a. First phase: Treaty Rock Estates
    b. Second phase: Treaty Rock Estates 1st Addition
    c. Third phase: Treaty Rock Estates 2nd Addition
7. Plat names can be reserved by emailing the County Surveyor's Office at rjones@kcgov.us with the proposed plat name, company name, AIN and owner's name,
8. Plat name reservations will expire after 3 years without a request for extension.