Help

Click on the Help tab in the lower left and browse through the information. Contact Information is at the bottom.



Use View and Zoom Tools:

In the upper right corner of the website there is a cluster of tools. You will use this tool cluster for the next 6 steps.

- 1. Click on the different map views: Satellite/Street/Topo
 - a. The street map is a Montana base map using data from the Montana Spatial Data Infrastructure. Larger scale data appears the farther you zoom in. When you are at the state level, only major roads and no water features appear. As you zoom in more detailed road features with names, and named stream features appear. Eventually the Public Land Survey System and the ownership parcels appear.
 - b. The Aerial View includes only parcels (at a zoomed in scale) and roads/streets unfortunately, at the present time, we don't have the 2011 NAIP imagery this should be on the site the near future.
 - c. The Topo button will be grayed out until you zoom in to approximately 1:150,000. View the USGS Topographic Map Symbols
- 2. Auto zoom: Click the plus sign (note: there are other ways to zoom in using the wheel on your mouse or holding down the shift key and creating a zoom in box)
- 3. Auto zoom out: Click the minus sign
- 4. Go to a previous view: Click the "Prev" arrow
- 5. Go to your last view: Click the "Next" arrow

Other zoom and pan tricks:

- 1. To zoom In by "Drawing a Box": hold down the "Shift" key and draw a box with your pointer.
- 2. To zoom all the way back to the State level: click the "Montana Cadastral" logo in the upper right corner this also resets the map.



- 6. Print the current view:
 - a. Click the printer icon.
 - b. A new web tab/page will open with the map. Click the "print" button in the lower left corner of the map.

Other printing tricks:

- 1. Sometimes the road names will not print the way they are displayed on the screen (you will be in between scales). In Internet Explorer you can right click on the map>click e-mail picture> you will have an e-mail come up with an export.png file. That is a screen capture with all the road names intact. E-mail it to yourself.
- 2. Save an image of a map containing Satellite Imagery
 - a. Internet Explorer: Click the Print Icon (upper left tool bar) when the Print window opens, right click on the map and click "Save As" or Email To". The image will be saved as a JPG or emailed as a JPG file.
 - b. Google Chrome: Click the Print Icon (upper left tool bar) when the Print window opens click the "Print" tab. Set the Layout to "LANDSCAPE" and the color to "COLOR". Next, click the "DESTINATION" tab and choose the "Print to PDF" option in the Dropdown. Save the PDF.
 - c. FireFox: Click the Print Icon (upper left tool bar) when the Print window opens click the "Print" tab. Next, select "Microsoft Office Document Image Writer" in the "Printer" dropdown click OK. Image will be saved in a TIF format.

Use the MAIN MENU - (SEARCH | DATA | TOOLS | LEGEND)

Search

Click on the Search Tab in the left menu of the website. A window "Choose Parcel Search Criteria" will expand to the left of the menu.



1. Owner Search

- a. From the County drop down menu window: choose Beaverhead County
- b. In the Owner Name text box: Type in "Smith"
- c. A list of results will be returned: choose any Smith in the list, by clicking on the name returned in blue text.
- d. Property record card a Property Record Card window will be expanded to the left of the "Choose Parcel Search Criteria" window. As you click on the record card tabs at the bottom the appropriate information comes up and the tab moves to the top. (Note you will find a "Smith" on the owner card of Blacktail Fire Services (as Other Names) if you choose that record)
- e. Move your mouse to the blue arrow tab at the top left of the property record card and click on it. (This tab will either hide expose the Property Record Card window.) Click on it again to make the property record card appear again.
- f. Note: If a parcel is listed as something other than real property, for example personal property on the property record card (Primary Information I Property Category I Subcategory) it cannot be mapped.

2. Geocode Search

- a. Click the "By Geocode" tab at the bottom of the Choose Parcel Search Criteria window
- b. Type (or copy/paste) in this geocode: 18-0014-03-1-02-02-0000
- c. Click "search" (You can always get at the map by "moving" the property record card with the blue arrow.
- d. SMITH CASEY will be returned in the result.
- e. Click on this result.
- f. The property record card will now reflect the changes and the map will automatically zoom to the parcel after clicking on the result.

3. Assessment Code Search

- a. Click the "By Assessment" tab at the bottom of the Choose Parcel Search Criteria window
- b. From the County drop down menu window: choose Beaverhead
- c. Type (or copy/paste) in this assessment code: 0000B01126
- d. Click search
- e. The results should return 3 records for SMITH GILMBER H

Search (continued)

4. Certificate of Survey Search

- a. Click the "By Certificate of Survey" tab at the bottom of the Choose Parcel Search Criteria window
- b. From the County drop down menu window: Choose Beaverhead
- c. Type in 869
- d. Click search
- e. Two Results should be returned: CIRLCE 3 LAND & CATTLE LLC and WRIGHT SULLIVAN LIVING TRUST
- f. Click any name on the list
- g. The Property Record Card will reflect the record of the chosen result and the map will zoom in to and outline the parcel.

5. Address Search

- a. Click the "By Address" tab at the bottom of the Choose Parcel Search Criteria window
- b. Copy and paste the "125 N Roberts St, Helena" address <u>below</u> the Address Locator box into the white Address locator box
- c. Click "SEARCH"
- d. Note the address search does NOT necessarily find a parcel with the same address. It is searching addresses tied to an address point or a range of addresses along a street or road segment. You need to use the identify tool to check the property record card and see if it has the exact same address as you searched for.

Data Download

(Note – users without GIS software should skip this section as downloading data won't do anything for you but take room on your hard drive)

Click on the Data Tab in the left menu of the website. A window "Download Framework Data" will expand to the left of the menu.



- 1. Navigate to the Treasure County Folder
- 2. Download TreasureOwnerParcel shp.zip
- 3. Optional go delete TresureOwnerParcel_shp.zip where ever you put it.

Tool box

Click on the Tools Tab in the left menu of the website.

A window "Switch Map Tool... Data" will expand to the left of the menu.



- 1. Click the Identify radio button
 - a. Click on any parcel in the map (you must be zoomed in to where you see the parcels).
 - b. A property record will open for the corresponding parcel.
 - c. Click on the X in the upper right hand corner of the property card to close it.
- 2. Click the Quick Zoom radio button
 - a. Under the quick zoom options drop down menu: choose City
 - i. Under the City drop down menu: choose Lewistown
 - ii. Click Zoom
 - iii. The map will zoom to the city of Lewistown
 - b. Under the quick zoom options drop down menu: choose County
 - i. Under the City drop down menu: choose Gallatin
 - ii. Click Zoom
 - iii. The map will zoom to the County of Gallatin
 - c. Under the quick zoom options drop down menu: choose Township, Range, Section
 - i. Accept the default T1N, R1E
 - ii. Click on sections 8,9,10,15,16,17 in the grid
 - iii. Click Search
 - iv. The map will zoom to the sections 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, 17 of Township 1N Range 1E.
- 3. Click the Buffer/Area Select radio button
 - a. Buffer
 - i. Click the Buffer option.
 - ii. Type in .3 in the Buffer distance box (don't type in the word miles)
 - iii. Click a point in the heart of Lewistown
 - iv. Note that an error message is returned that state it is too many parcels.
 - v. Type in a new buffer distance of .05
 - vi. A list of owners for the selected distance from the buffer is returned in the results below the Buffer/Area Select Options
 - b. Polygon/Area Select
 - i. Click the Polygon option
 - ii. Draw a polygon around a small set or parcels, we suggest 10. Double click to close the polygon
 - iii. A list of owners from the drawn polygon is returned in the results below the Buffer/Area Select Options

- 4. Click the Measure radio button
 - a. This tool allows you to measure only in miles.
 - b. Start to measure by clicking a point on the map.
 - c. Double click to stop measuring
 - d. A window in the upper right corner of the website will be a box displaying the distance measured.
- 5. Close out of the Tools window by click the X in the upper righthand corner of the window.
- 6. Click on the Montana Cadastral Logo in the left menu's upper left corner above the tabs: this will reset the map to a Statewide Street extent.

Legend

If you click this tab it gives a color coded legend of the *Street View* Base Map. There is no legend for the *Satellite View* Base Map.



Contact Us

If you need further assistance with the application or have general questions, please contact us at:

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