

2017 LEGISLATIVE SNAPSHOT

Montana Spatial Data Infrastructure - Cadastral

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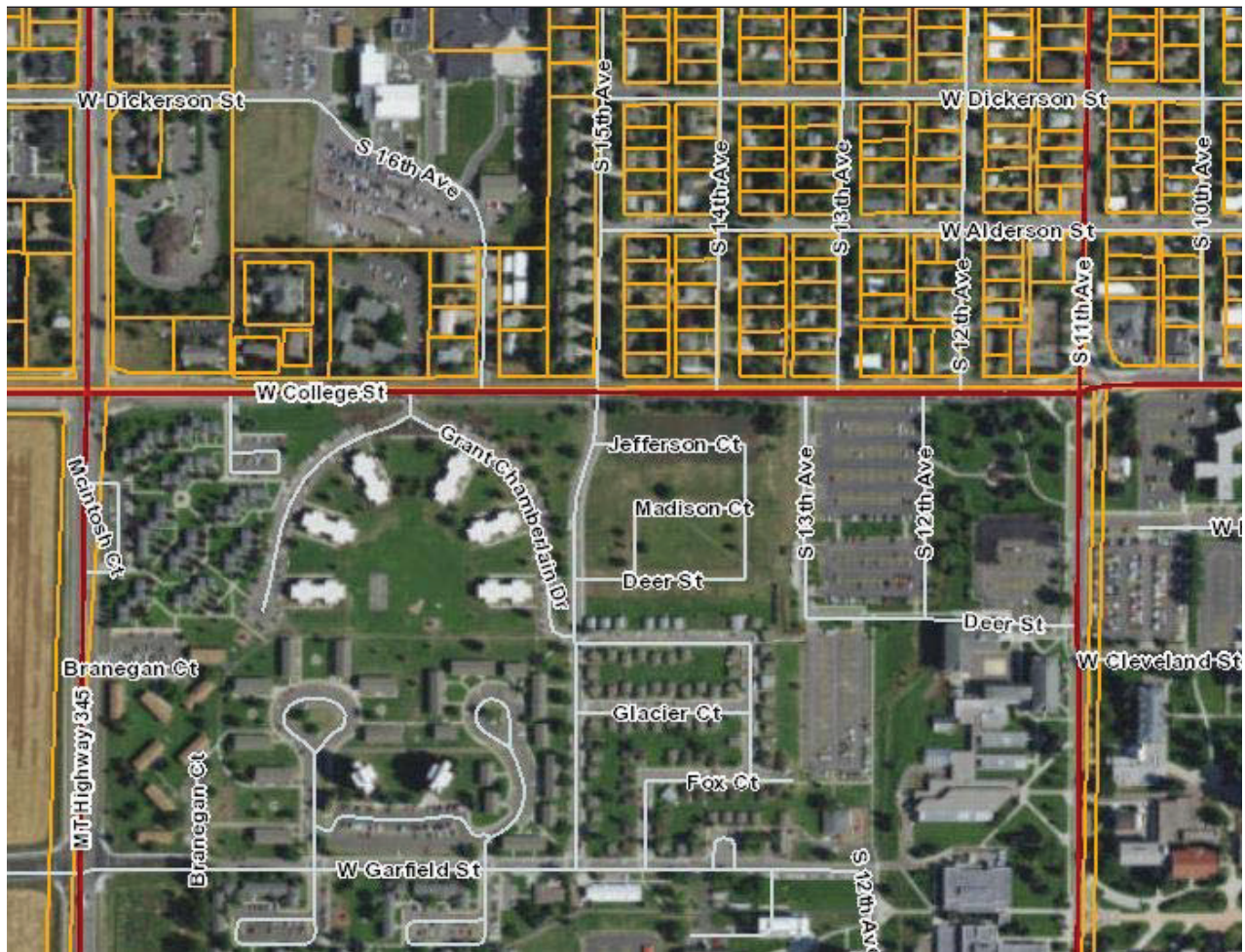
Every day, Realtors across the state pull up the Montana State Library's Cadastral system to help their clients buy and sell residential and commercial properties. They use the site to look at property information such as ownership, land data, dwelling data (square footage, number of bedrooms/bathrooms, heating type, etc.). In addition to property data, this site provides ownership boundaries with an aerial photo overlay (see example on page two). This important online resource is available to the public at no charge.

- According to Environmental Systems Research Institute (ESRI), in 2011, Montana was the first state in the nation to create a GIS-based statewide database like Cadastral.
- For calendar year 2016, Cadastral has received almost 12 million page views across 655,594 unique visits, making it one of the most popular online resources offered by the State of Montana.
- Visitors spend an average of seventeen minutes using the site, indicating a high level of engagement.
- One in four visitors uses a mobile device to access Cadastral, suggesting that working professionals use Cadastral to do their jobs.

Online Resources:

- Esri ArcNews Summer 2011, The Big Sky State Finds Gold in Statewide Cadastral Database: <http://www.esri.com/news/arcnews/summer11/articles/the-big-sky-state-finds-gold-in-statewide-cadastral-database.html>
- Montana Cadastral: <http://geoinfo.msl.mt.gov/home/msdi/cadastral.aspx>

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Montana Cadastral map with aerial overlay, Bozeman area