

Geo-Enabled Elections

Your location determines what's on your ballot

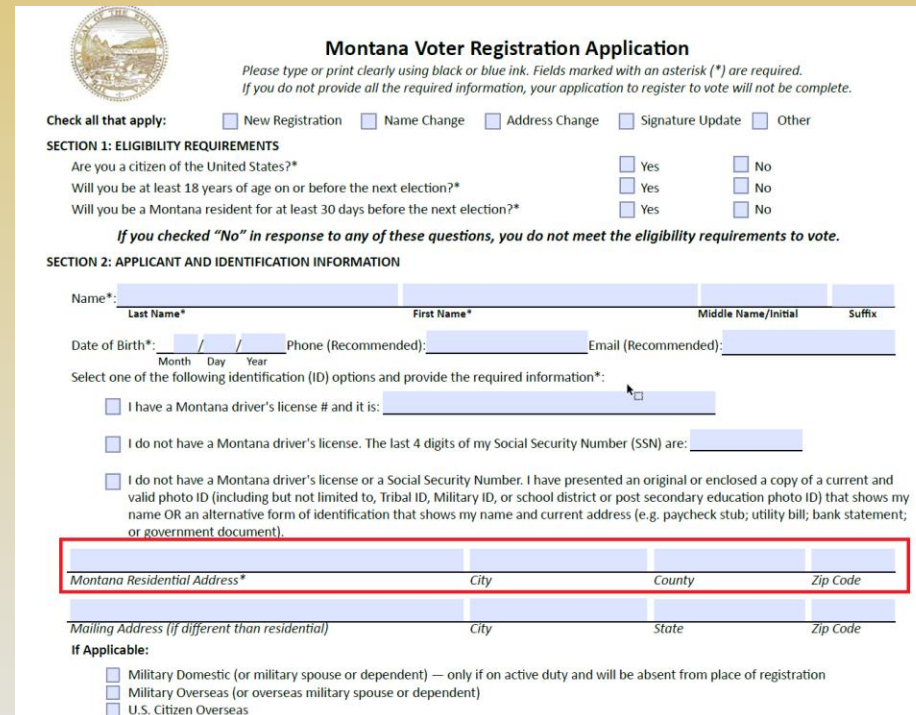


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Voter Registration issue

- Voters sign up using their Address and NOT Latitude / Longitude.
- A voter's residence location determines what is on their ballot.



Montana Voter Registration Application
Please type or print clearly using black or blue ink. Fields marked with an asterisk (*) are required.
If you do not provide all the required information, your application to register to vote will not be complete.

Check all that apply: New Registration Name Change Address Change Signature Update Other

SECTION 1: ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Are you a citizen of the United States?* Yes No
Will you be at least 18 years of age on or before the next election?* Yes No
Will you be a Montana resident for at least 30 days before the next election?* Yes No

If you checked "No" in response to any of these questions, you do not meet the eligibility requirements to vote.

SECTION 2: APPLICANT AND IDENTIFICATION INFORMATION

Name*: _____
Last Name* First Name* Middle Name/Initial Suffix

Date of Birth*: ____/____/____ Phone (Recommended): _____ Email (Recommended): _____
Month Day Year

Select one of the following identification (ID) options and provide the required information*:

I have a Montana driver's license # and it is: _____

I do not have a Montana driver's license. The last 4 digits of my Social Security Number (SSN) are: _____

I do not have a Montana driver's license or a Social Security Number. I have presented an original or enclosed a copy of a current and valid photo ID (including but not limited to, Tribal ID, Military ID, or school district or post secondary education photo ID) that shows my name OR an alternative form of identification that shows my name and current address (e.g. paycheck stub; utility bill; bank statement; or government document).

Montana Residential Address* City County Zip Code

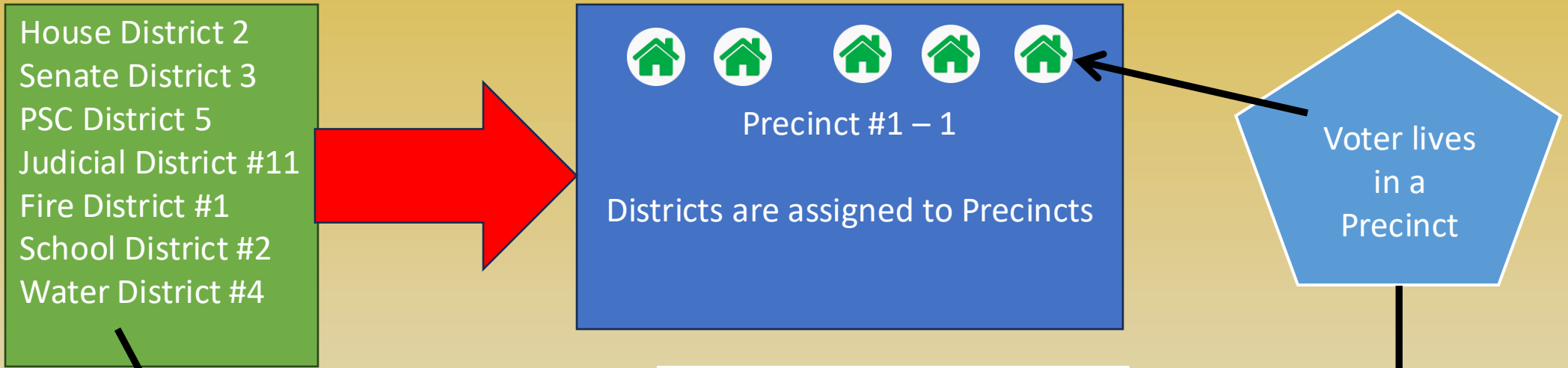
Mailing Address (if different than residential) City State Zip Code

If Applicable:

Military Domestic (or military spouse or dependent) — only if on active duty and will be absent from place of registration
 Military Overseas (or overseas military spouse or dependent)
 U.S. Citizen Overseas



How is a ballot generated?




Voter gets ballot with races for districts in the precinct

OFFICIAL GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT [NAME OF COUNTY] COUNTY, MONTANA - NOVEMBER 5, 2024		
INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS	COUNTY	BALLOT ISSUES <i>(Continued)</i>
<p>1. TO VOTE, COMPLETELY FILL IN () THE OVAL USING A BLUE OR BLACK PEN.</p> <p>2. To write in a name, completely fill in the oval to the left of the line provided, and on the line provided print the name of the write-in candidate for whom you wish to vote.</p> <p>3. DO NOT MAKE AN IDENTIFYING MARK, CROSS OUT, ERASE, OR USE CORRECTION FLUID. If you make a mistake or change your mind, exchange your ballot for a new one.</p>	<p>FOR CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT (VOTE FOR ONE)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> ANDREW JACKSON DEMOCRAT</p> <p><input type="radio"/> MARTIN VAN BUREN REPUBLICAN</p> <p><input type="radio"/></p>	<p>LEGISLATIVE REFERENDUM NO. 2014 (VOTE IN ONE OVAL)</p> <p>AN ACT REFERRED BY THE LEGISLATURE AN ACT SUBMITTING A MILL LEVY TO THE ELECTORATE AND PROVIDING EFFECTIVE DATES AND A TERMINATION DATE.</p> <p>The Legislature submitted this proposal for a vote. The proposal asks Montana voters to continue the statewide levy. Without voter approval, the current levy will expire.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES ON LEGISLATIVE REFERENDUM LR-2014</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO ON LEGISLATIVE REFERENDUM LR-2014</p>
<p>VOTE IN ALL COLUMNS [VOTE BOTH SIDES]</p> <p>FEDERAL AND STATE</p>	<p>FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (VOTE FOR ONE)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> WILLIAM HENRY HARRISON DEMOCRAT</p> <p><input type="radio"/> JOHN TYLER REPUBLICAN</p> <p><input type="radio"/></p>	
<p>FOR PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT (VOTE IN ONE OVAL)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> THOMAS JEFFERSON "REPUBLICAN" FOR PRESIDENT AARON BURR "REPUBLICAN" FOR VICE PRESIDENT</p> <p><input type="radio"/></p>	<p>FOR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE (VOTE IN ONE OVAL)</p> <p>Shall Justice of the Peace JAMES K. POLK of the Justice Court of the County of XXXXX of the state of Montana be retained in office for another term?</p> <p>Fill in the oval before the word "YES" if you</p>	
<p>FOR PRESIDENT</p> <p>FOR VICE PRESIDENT</p>		
<p>FOR PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 1 (VOTE FOR ONE)</p>		



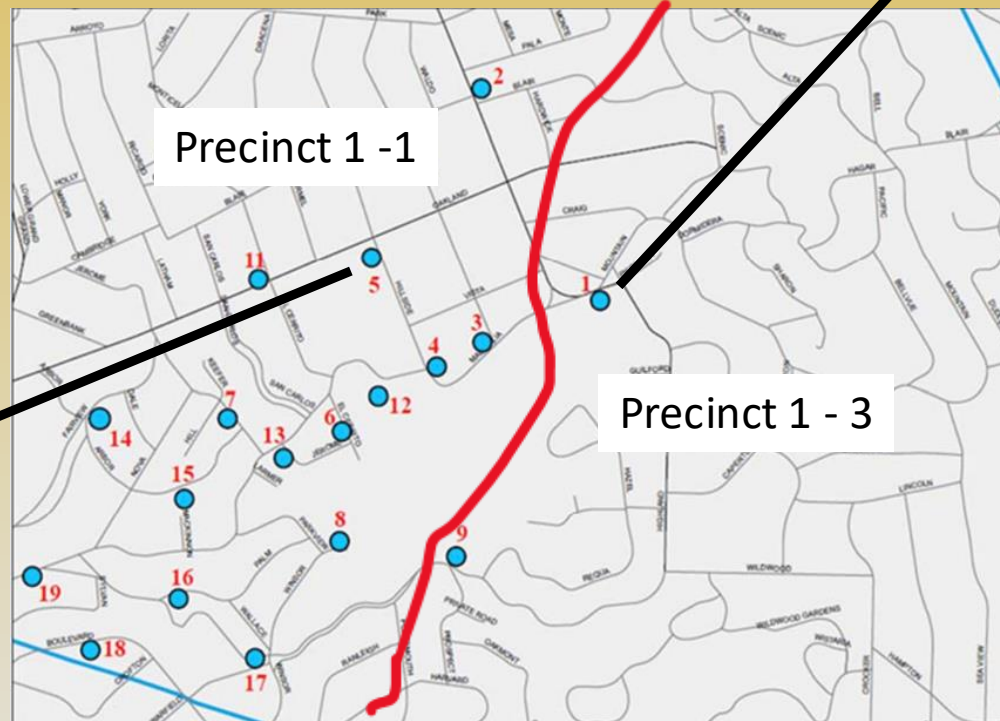
How do you tell which precinct for a voter? Their address location



Precinct #1 – 1

Districts are assigned to Precincts

John Smith
230 Main Street
Precinct 1 – 1



Ben Smith
415 Maple Street
Precinct 1 - 3



Why GIS and a map is important for elections.

Barn and driveway in Jefferson County. The house is in Silver Bow.

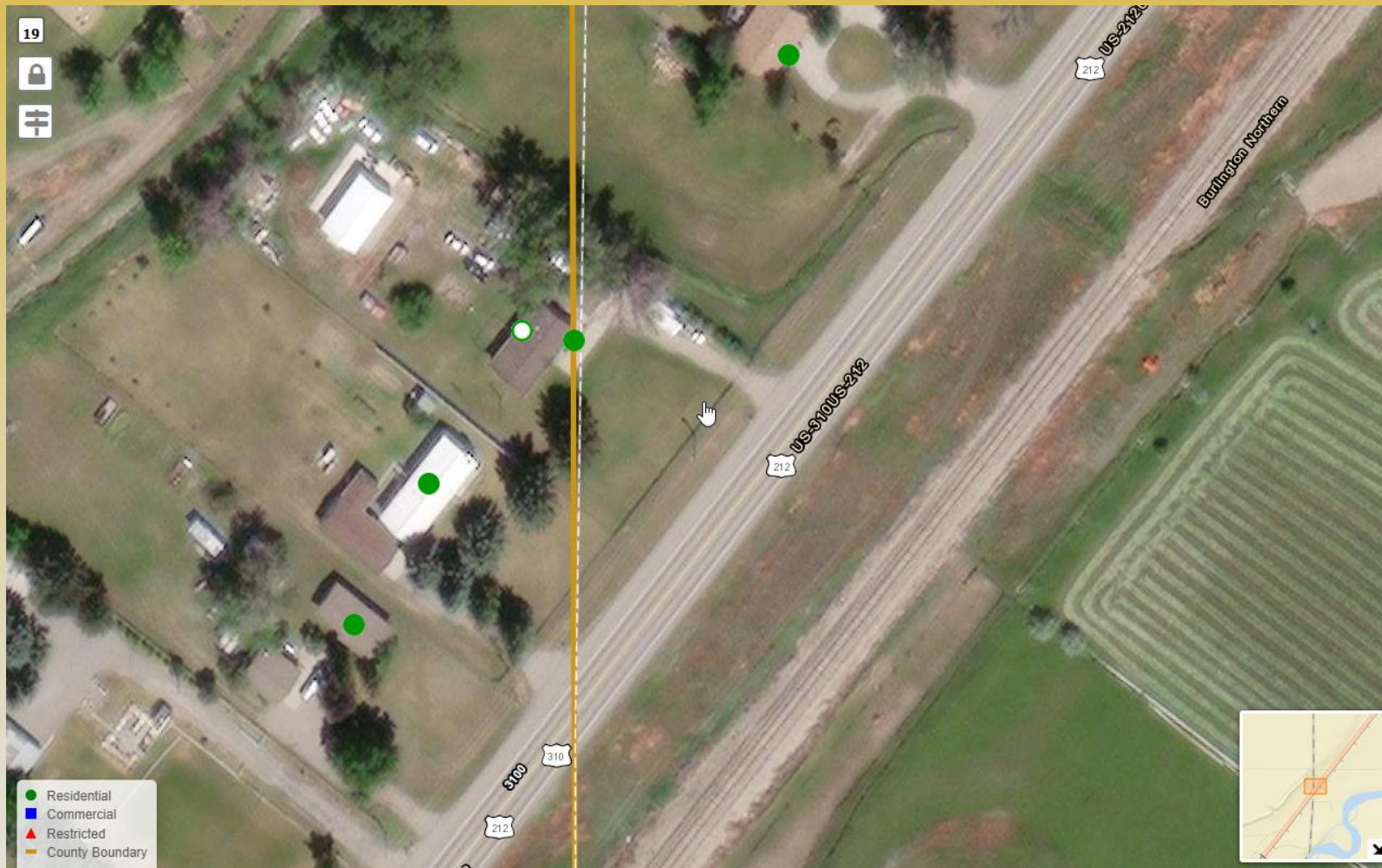


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Why GIS and a map is important for elections.

Driveway in
Yellowstone
County. House in
Carbon County.

The filled green
point is assigned
to Yellowstone.
The white circle
point is the point
for Carbon
County



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Total Address (ElectMT)

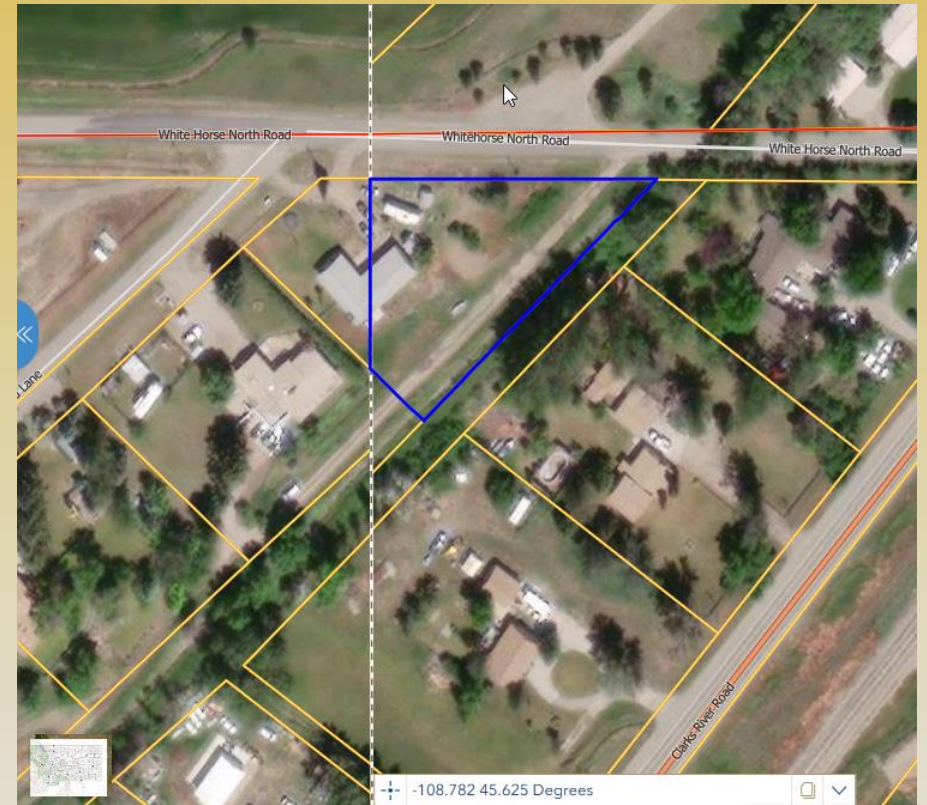


House split between Carbon (left) and Yellowstone (right)

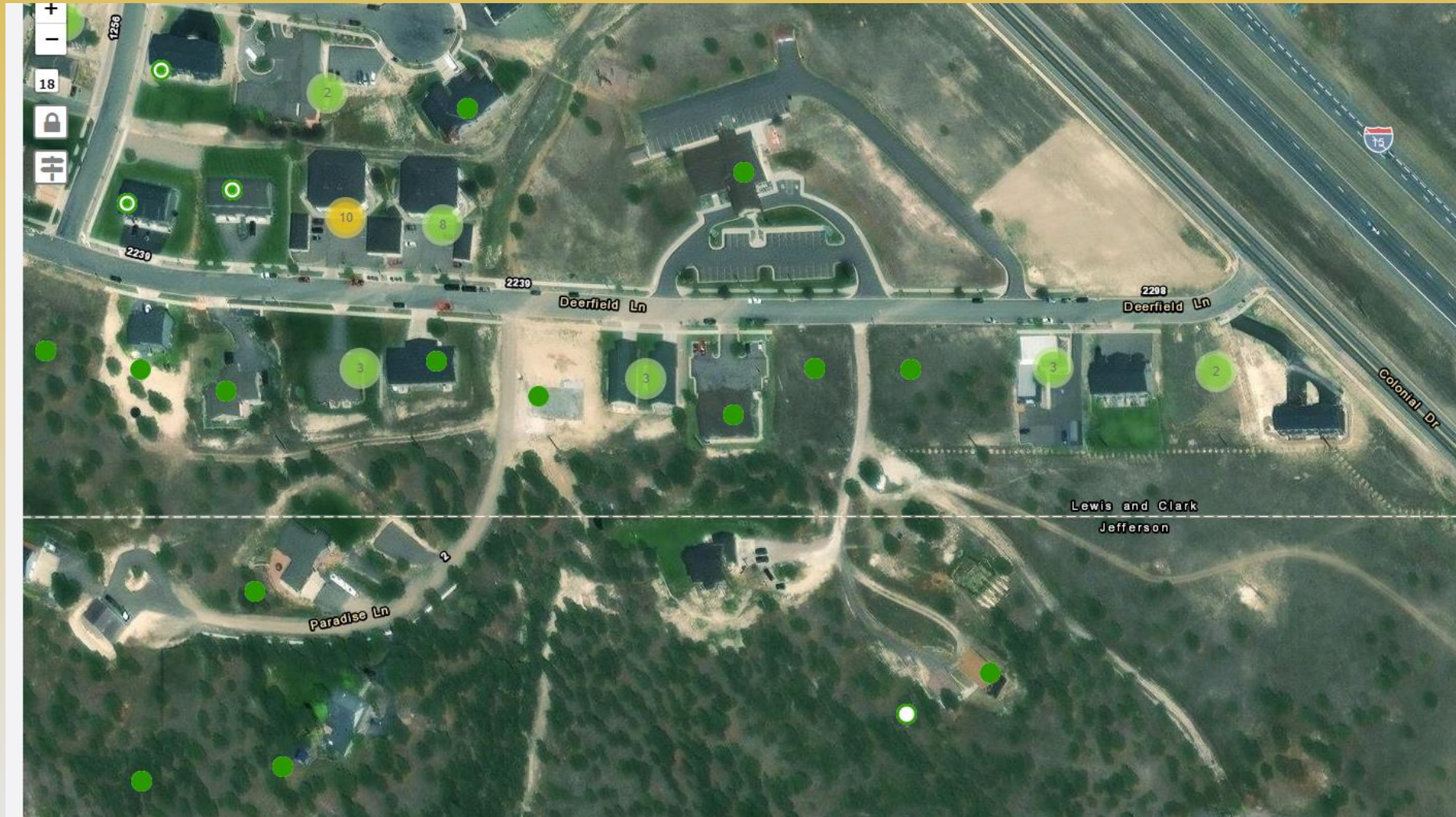
Note other issues:

- City is Laurel
- The road to the north might have two names.
- Vista Lane would nominally only be in Carbon County.

Lot map in Cadastral



Why GIS and a map is important for elections.



Houses in
Jefferson County
with driveways in
Helena (Lewis &
Clark)

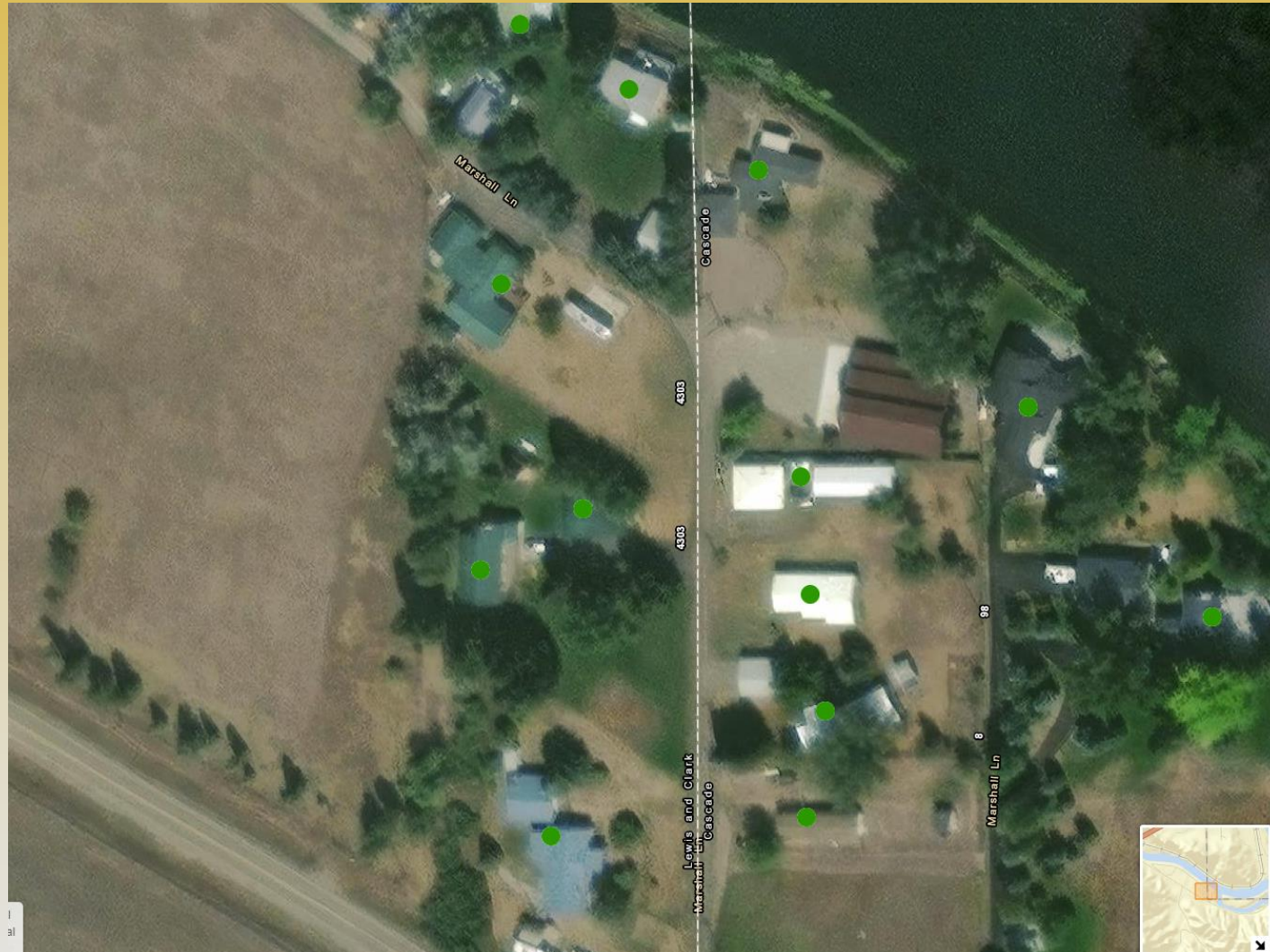


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Lewis & Clark
County versus
Cascade County

All houses have
“Marshall Lane”
addresses.



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Major Goal for Geo-enabled Elections

- Counties use a single agreed upon address point.
 - Same text
 - Same Lat/Long position
 - Conform to as much as possible to USPS address
 - Point is on the structure



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