

Records of petitions and details of roads built B0278

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Overview of the Records

Repository: New York State Archives

Summary: This series consist of forms recording actions taken on

petitions for road construction. Information includes the petition number; page number; name and number of road, county, section petitioned for; towns that the section passes through; dates petitions for survey and for work were passed; amount appropriated by county; date the preliminary examination was made; date approved; distance to be improved; surface and width of the road; date the plans were adopted; and information

on bids and contracts.

Title: Records of petitions and details of roads built

Quantity: 5 cubic feet

Quantity: 12 volumes

Inclusive Date: 1898-1928

Series: B0278

Arrangement

Numerical by petition number (essentially a chronological arrangement by date when petition was received).

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Scope and Content Note

The volumes in this series consist of forms recording actions taken on petitions for road construction. The forms provide: the petition number (also page number), name and number of road, county, section petitioned for, towns that the section passes through, dates petitions for survey and for work were passed, amount appropriated by county (volumes 3-10), date the preliminary examination was made, date approved (volumes 1-2), distance to be improved, surface and width of the road, date the plans were adopted (volumes 1-2), date that bids were received, date the contract was awarded and to whom, engineer(s) in charge of surveys and

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work (volumes 1-2), date the work was to be completed (volumes 1-2), date the work was done (volumes 1-2), dates of final estimates and final draft (volumes 1-2), costs and cost estimates, the law authorizing the work (volumes 1-2), names, addresses, and bids of bidders, and remarks, usually regarding bids or funding.

A shorter, less detailed form was used beginning in December 1903. Information on costs and bids was often omitted after 1903. Occasionally, summary forms containing similar information or later work on the road, and memoranda regarding the work, were attached to the forms in the volume.

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Other Finding Aids

Available at Repository

An alphabetical county index is available in each volume.

B0278-83A: This accretion consists of two volumes that function as an index to the petitions in this series. One indexes volumes 1-7 and the other indexes volumes 1-10.

B0278-83: Container list.

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Use of Records

Access Restrictions

There are no restrictions regarding access to or use of the material.

Access Terms

- Roads--Design and construction
- Roads--New York (State)
- Monitoring
- New York (State)
- Constructing
- New York (State). State Engineer and Surveyor

New York (State). Department of Transportation