

Ferry County Accessible Voting Advisory Plan

1. Number of Poll Sites

Ferry County has one poll site for the accessible voting unit. This site is open for 18 days prior to any election from the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. weekdays and on Election Day from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

2. Education and Outreach

Outreach seminars and website announcements will be used to educate the outlying communities in Ferry County with regard to AVU units and their use. Proposed outreach seminars will be held for the North County (Malo, Curlew, Danville) East County (Orient, Barstow, Kettle Falls), South County (Inchelium, Keller) and Republic area. Location and dates are to be determined by the Ferry County Auditor. It is the committee's goal to research the best ways to reach communities of individuals who may find the technology useful.

3. Accessible Voting Units (AVU)

Ferry County currently has one Accessible Voting Unit and one back up unit for its voters. The elections staff of the Ferry County Auditor's Office has been trained to demonstrate use to voters as needed. Because there is only one poll site for the AVU, the unit is kept at that location and not transported.

4. Future requirements and meetings.

The present and future goal of this committee will be to address concerns provided to the Ferry County Elections staff and/or Accessible Voting Advisory Committee Members in solving issues that voters with disabilities may have. Meetings of this committee will be held at least once a year and as need arises throughout the remainder.

The effective date of this plan is May 17, 2012.