***(NOTE: Please feel free to let your community know about your participation in the Gravel Roads Academy. Just fill in the blanks with the date and your personal information, delete this note, and provide the completed form to your local newspapers, radio stations or in newsletters.) Replace your information where it is blue below.***

**NEWS RELEASE**

*For more information, contact:*

(Your name, Your phone number)

(Your title)

**(Your Last Name) COMPLETES GRAVEL ROADS ACADEMY TRAINING**

(Date) – (Your name, your title) recently completed training with the Gravel Roads Academy, an educational course outlining best practices in unpaved road construction and maintenance.

The two-day course helped county commissioners and road maintenance personnel understand the most cost-effective ways to build and care for gravel roads. Proper upkeep benefits local road departments by reducing the amount of money spent on road grading, gravel replacement and equipment maintenance. Additionally, properly maintained gravel roads offer residents safer driving surfaces, reduces dust that can severely limit visibility and provides better air quality for those living along unpaved roads.

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