AN ACT relating to public highways in the Columbia Basin area; providing for the selection of an arterial system of county roads therein; prescribing the duties of certain officers, county commissioners, the county road engineer and the Director of Highways; and making an appropriation.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

SECTION 1. For the biennium ending March 31, 1951, there is hereby appropriated from the Motor Vehicle Fund the sum of eighty-seven thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars ($87,750) to be allocated by the same officers as make other motor vehicle fuel tax allocations in the following manner:

To Grant County the sum of seventy-three thousand dollars ($73,000); to Franklin County the sum of four thousand two hundred fifty dollars ($4,250); and to Adams County the sum of ten thousand five hundred dollars ($10,500), for the purpose of defraying the engineering expense in locating, laying out and preparing construction plans, specifications and estimates for the construction and/or improvement of a system of county arterial highways in said counties which the United States Reclamation Service proposes to place under irrigation during the 1951-1953 biennium: Provided, That this appropriation is made out of the proceeds of the motor vehicle fuel tax raised by an act of the Thirty-first Legislature titled: "An Act Relating to the state government and the administration of highways, roads and streets; creating a highways, roads and streets commission; prescribing qualifications, powers and duties of certain officers; repealing chapter 134, Laws of 1941; amending section 3, chapter 53, Laws of 1937; amending sections 60, 61, and 63, chapter 187, Laws of 1937, as amended; amending section 5, chapter 58,
Laws of 1933, as amended; amending section 16, chapter 188, Laws of 1937; amending section 18, chapter 188, Laws of 1937; and amending section 17, chapter 188, Laws of 1937, as amended, and is to be restricted to that portion of the proceeds of said motor vehicle fuel tax (one and one-half cents per gallon): And provided further, That the sum hereby appropriated shall be transmitted to the respective counties for deposit into the County Road Fund.

Sec. 2. The arterial system of county roads on which construction plans are to be prepared shall consist of approximately twenty-five per cent and shall not exceed thirty per cent of the mileage of county roads necessary to serve all farm units laid out by the United States Reclamation Service in the area to be irrigated within the time specified. The County Road Engineers and County Commissioners of the respective counties shall select the system of county arterial highways and the Director of Highways shall approve said system before any expenditure shall be made for the preparation of construction plans. The County Road Engineers of the respective counties shall have complete charge of the location, laying out, surveying and preparation of construction plans, specifications and estimates for the system of roads so selected, subject to the approval of the Director of Highways of the design standards used and the cost estimates.

Sec. 3. The sums appropriated to the respective counties by this act shall be set up as a separate account to be known as the Columbia Basin Advance Engineering Account within the County Road Fund of the said counties and shall be expended only for the purposes and in the manner herein provided.

Sec. 4. Copies of the construction plans, specifications and estimates for all of the roads selected as
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herein provided shall be completed and submitted to the Director of Highways on or before December 31, 1950.

Passed the House March 3, 1949.
Passed the Senate March 6, 1949.
Approved by the Governor March 19, 1949.

CHAPTER 207.
[H. B. 521.]
TRANSFER OF CONTROL OF CERTAIN STATE LAND TO THE STATE COLLEGE.
AN ACT transferring control of certain state land in Yakima County.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

SECTION 1. Jurisdiction and control of the following described tract of state land:

Beginning at a point nine hundred feet north and fifty feet east of the west quarter-section corner of section 29, township 13 north, range 19, E.W.M., said point being located on the east right-of-way line of the county road thereon; thence south eighty-nine degrees fifty-four minutes east, a distance of two hundred thirty feet, thence south a distance of four hundred feet; thence north eighty-nine degrees fifty-four minutes west, a distance of two hundred thirty feet to the east right-of-way line of the county road thereon; thence north a distance of four hundred feet more or less to the point of beginning, all located in Yakima County, Washington; and the structures located thereon are hereby transferred from the Department of Agriculture to the State College of Washington.

Passed the House March 3, 1949.
Passed the Senate March 7, 1949.
Approved by the Governor March 19, 1949.

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