

USING CADASTRAL TO FIND YOUR GEOCODE



In this step-by-step tutorial, we will show you how to find the geocode for your principal residence or long-term rental.

A **geocode** is a 17-digit code that identifies your principal residence. By law, you must include your principal residences, or long-term rental property geocode on your homestead or long-term rental application. Without the geocode, we can't identify your property and won't be able to process your application.

Your geocode is available on Montana Cadastral. Cadastral is a database maintained by the Montana State Library. It allows the public to view information about public and private land ownership in Montana, including your geocode.

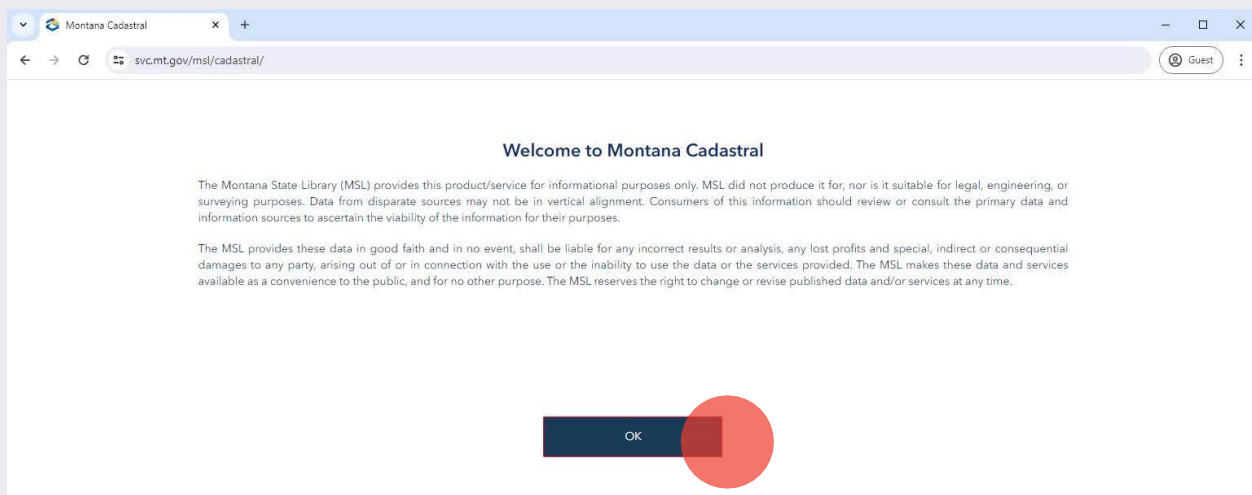
So let's get started!

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Navigate to cadastral.mt.gov

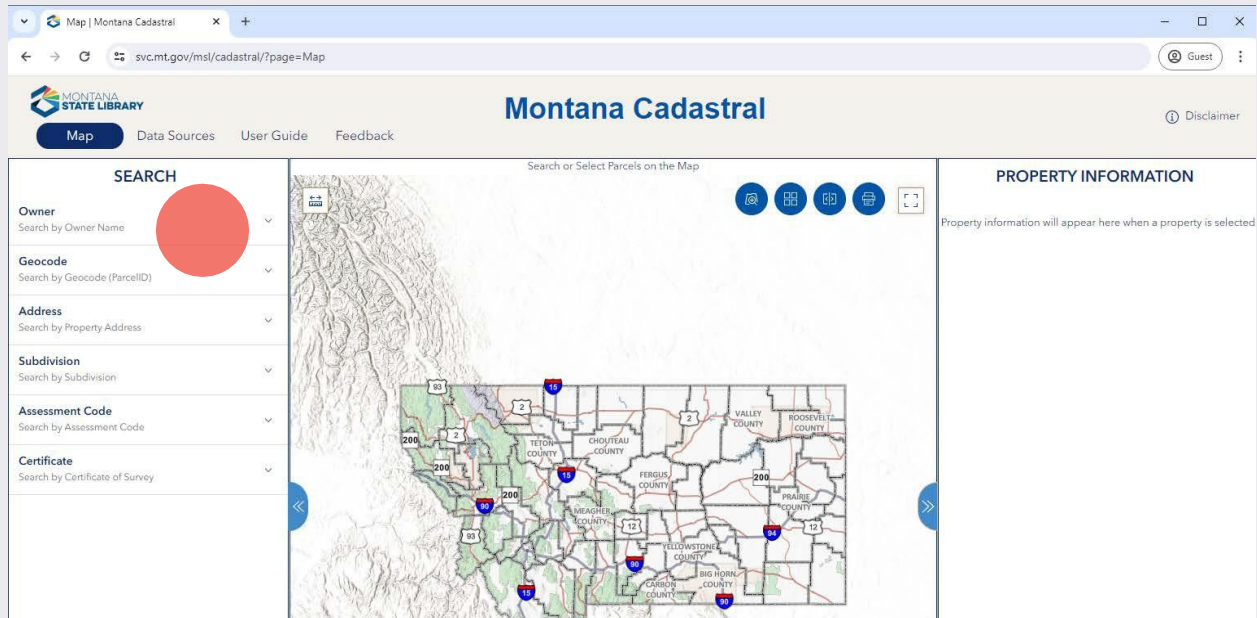
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Click "OK" on the Montana Cadastral page.



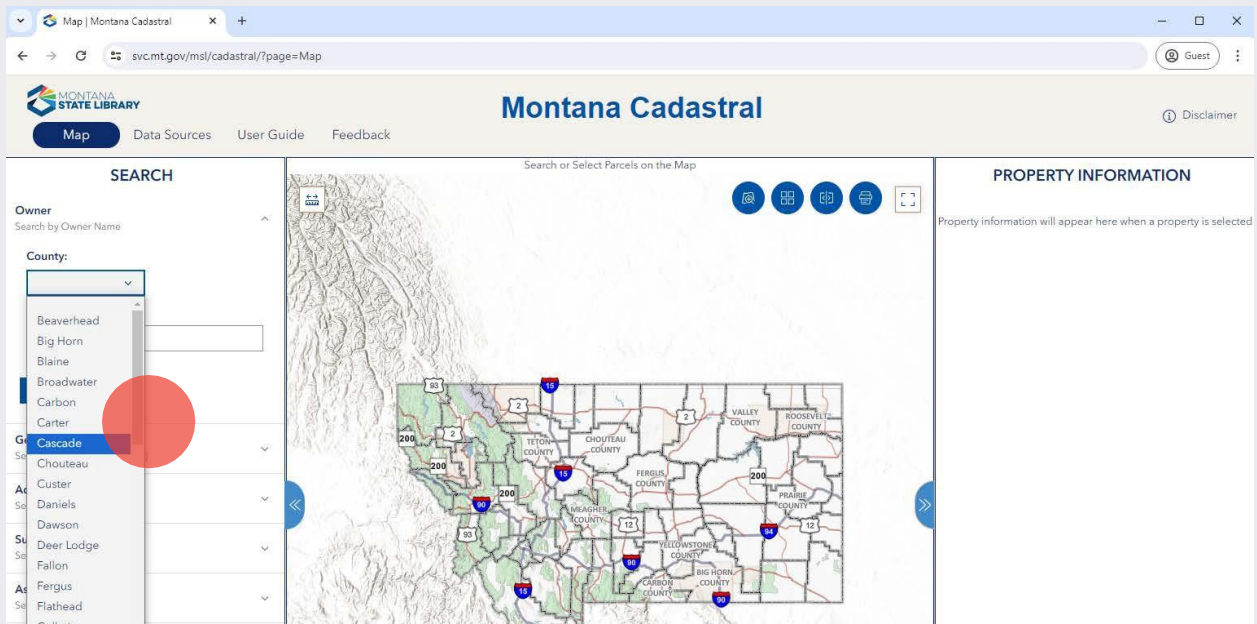
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Click "Owner" under SEARCH.



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Select your county from the drop-down menu.



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Enter your last name in the “Owner Name” field and click “SEARCH” button field.

The screenshot shows the Montana Cadastral web application interface. The top navigation bar includes the Montana State Library logo, the title 'Montana Cadastral', and links for 'Map', 'Data Sources', 'User Guide', and 'Feedback'. A 'Guest' user is logged in. The main interface is divided into three sections: 'SEARCH', 'Map', and 'PROPERTY INFORMATION'. The 'SEARCH' section on the left has a 'Search by Owner Name' section with a 'County' dropdown set to 'Cascade' and an 'Owner Name' field with the placeholder 'Lastname'. A red circle highlights this field. Below it is a 'SEARCH' button. Other search options include 'Geocode', 'Address', 'Subdivision', and 'Assessment Code'. The central 'Map' section shows a map of Montana with county boundaries and major roads. The 'PROPERTY INFORMATION' section on the right is currently empty, with a note stating 'Property information will appear here when a property is selected'.

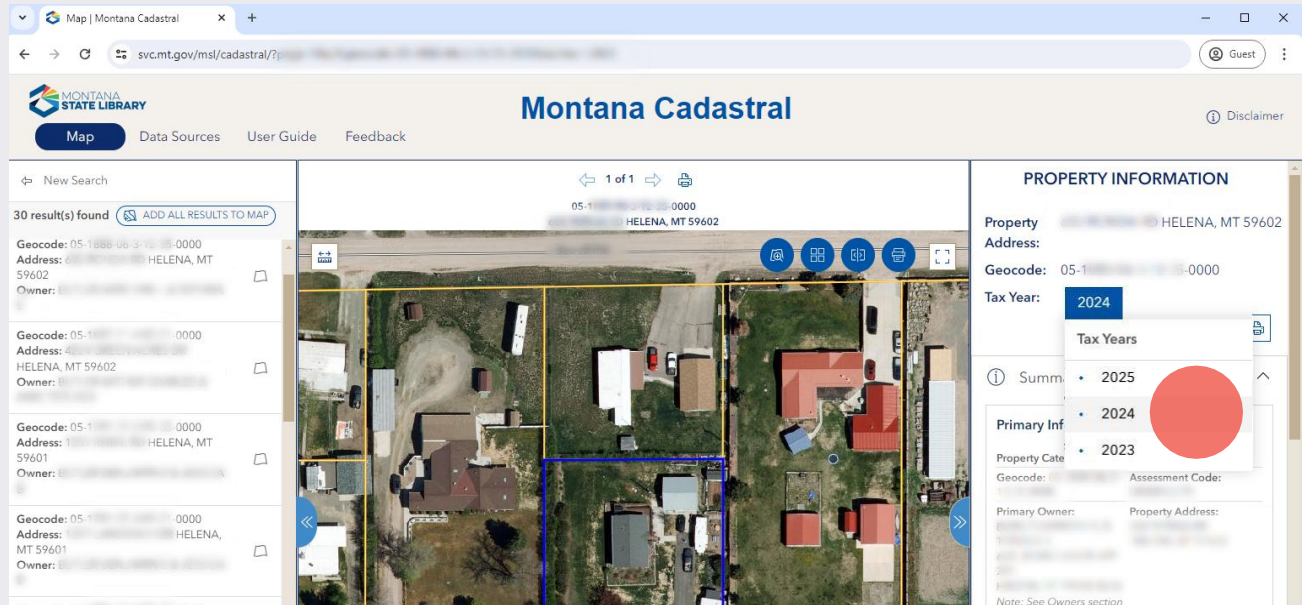
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Select your property from the search results.

The screenshot shows the Montana Cadastral web application interface with search results displayed. The 'SEARCH' section on the left now shows '30 result(s) found' and a list of results. Each result includes a 'Geocode', 'Address', and 'Owner' field. A red circle highlights one of the results. The central 'Map' section remains the same, showing a map of Montana. The 'PROPERTY INFORMATION' section on the right is still empty, with the same note: 'Property information will appear here when a property is selected'.

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When you see your property information, select “Tax Year 2025” on the right-hand side of the page.



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Your geocode for your principal residence is a 17-digit code that can be found under the Property Information section.

You can copy and paste your geocode onto your application if filing online. If you're filing a paper form, enter the geocode exactly as it appears in the Property Information section.

