

character mentioned in this Act, by the County Commissioners of Howard County or the County Road Superintendent by appropriations or levy by said Commissioners, is hereby declared to be specially benefited by such improved roads to an extent greater than the entire amount of the special tax hereby levied thereon; provided that said special tax shall not be levied against any person who has heretofore either in whole or in part contributed towards the construction of any highway bordering on his or their property, but said special tax shall be levied against those persons whose property borders on such highway and who have not hitherto contributed to such construction, provided, however, that said tax shall be decreased as to those persons not heretofore contributing by the amount already paid on such construction by such persons who have contributed. Said property so specially benefited is hereby divided into four classes, to be designated as "A", "B", "C" and "D".

CLASS "A".

All property held under one or a joint undivided ownership, adjoining or abutting upon any improved highway hereafter constructed under the provisions of this Act.

CLASS "B",

All property held under one or a joint undivided ownership, situate within one-quarter of a mile of improved highway, and having access thereto by public or private road, or over other land of the same owner, by route not exceeding one mile from the nearest boundary or said property, at the point crossed by said route to said highway.

CLASS "C".

All property held under one or a joint undivided ownership, distant more than one-quarter of a mile and not more than one mile from any improved highway, and having access thereto by a public or private road, or over other land of the same owner, by route not exceeding two miles from the nearest boundary of said road (at a point crossed by said road) to said improved highway.

CLASS "D".

All property held under one or a joint undivided ownership, situate more than one mile and not more than two miles from any improved highway, and having access thereto by a public or private road, or over other land of the same owner by a route