



POLICY 6.13

WINTER MAINTENANCE OF COUNTY ROADS

Department: Public Works

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PURPOSE:

To ensure the safety of the travelling public within the Northern Sunrise County controlled roadway network, and to assure winter snow and ice control quality of service objectives are met.

SCOPE:

Northern Sunrise County will ensure all roadways are maintained in winter to the standards established in this policy.

POLICY:

1. Winter snow and ice control plowing priorities are as follows:
 - a. Arterial Roads and School Bus Routes
 - b. Collector Roads, Internal Hamlet Roads, and Fire Hydrants Access
 - c. Business/Industrial Park Roads, Multi-Acreage Development Roads, and Local Roads

Gravel Roads

1. Snow plowing on gravel roads will commence when snow reaches a depth of 10-15 centimeters on the roadway. Drifting or hazardous conditions may necessitate earlier attention.
2. It is desirable to have a snow/gravel mix packed on the roads after the first snowfall to reduce gravel loss.

Paved Roads

3. Snow plowing on paved roads will commence when snow reaches a depth of 3 to 4 centimeters on the roadway. Drifting or hazardous conditions may necessitate earlier attention. Curves, hills, and local conditions may also necessitate earlier attention.
4. Salt and sand are to be utilized on paved roads when weather and snow/ice conditions make it practical.

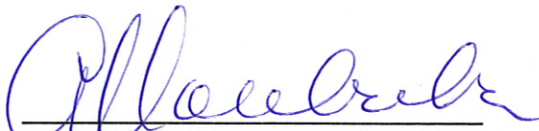
5. Ice blading on paved roads may become necessary as required when snow pack or ice conditions warrant it.

Hamlet Roads


6. Plowing of roads in the Hamlets of St. Isidore, Cadotte Lake, Little Buffalo, Reno, and Marie Reine will commence when snow accumulations reach 10-15 centimeters on the roadway.
7. Snow accumulations in the Hamlet of St. Isidore will be removed as soon as possible after a snowfall, time and priorities permitting.

General

8. Winging of snow into the ditch will commence before accumulations reach 30 centimeters along the shoulder edge.
9. Equipment Operators must exercise reasonable caution when clearing snow to minimize snow accumulation on driveway approaches. The wing will be raised at approaches to feather out the snow, thus preventing the formation of a windrow.
10. After a snowfall, roads requiring snow removal will be cleared within 72 hours.
11. Roads that provide access to farmland may be plowed on a request basis.



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