

Timber Ridge Folks,

Here is update on our Colorado's Timber Ridge Metro District(CTRMD) **November 8,2022**

1. Snowplowing.

We will be using the same snow plowing contractor as last year BWD. They will use the polyurethane snow plow blades as last year to protect the chip seal. Our contract with BWD, as in previous years with other contractors stipulates "the basic criteria for snow plowing is 4-5 inches of snow, but this is not a hard set standard as common sense should prevail with due consideration being given to forecasted snow falls, temperatures, etc. with the Contractor communicating with the Metro District representative. It makes a difference with wet or dry snow. Of course, predicting the snowfall amounts and moisture level in the Pagosa Springs area is quite challenging for all involved.

Gary Franklin has volunteered to be the Metro District contact for snow plowing with BWD and Timber Ridge. Thanks Gary!!! Gary & Adrian Franklin will be helping keep sections of the mailbox area cleared of ice and snow. We have put a container with snow melt(calcium chloride) and a snow shovel at the mailbox to make it convenient to clear the area of snow and ice, as needed. But some areas of the mailbox are in the shade and can get icy so please be cautious.

We also put a bucket of sand with a hand spreader on the front porch of the Clubhouse so folks can spread sand on the front concrete patio as needed to help with better footing when using the Clubhouse. Please do not use snow melt on the Clubhouse's concrete patio. Snow melt will mess up the concrete. There is also a snow shovel in the Clubhouse to be used as needed.

Please contact Gary with any snow plowing issues. Gary's contact info is : gfranklin.ctrmd@gmail.com or 970-507-0670

So as to continue to have good communication with Timber Ridge folks on snow plowing and road conditions the CTRMD website will be updated with snow plowing and road conditions as was done last year.

Please check our website at ctrmd.org under Metro District Overview or this link <https://ctrmd.org/snow-plowing-and-road-conditions/> for snow plowing and road conditions updates.

So with more folks moving into Timber Ridge and some not accustomed to winters in a small Colorado Mountain town like Pagosa Springs we wanted to communicate the issue we are dealing with and direct you to some information that might be beneficial.

1. Please drive **SLOW** and follow CDOT suggestions for winter driving when road conditions merit. There are times when **5 miles an hour** is an appropriate speed.
2. If possible, try to not drive on roads before roads are snow plowed, especially when a big wet and heavy snow dumps.
3. Some suggested items needed in your vehicle during the snow season. 1. Snow Shovel, Ice Scraper and Snow Tracks (<https://www.amazon.com/Snow-Tracks-Cars/s?k=Snow+Tracks+for+Cars>). From my experience these snow tracks work. See CDOT link for more info on winter driving and essential items needed.
4. If you do get stuck in the snow and can't find any assistance you can call/text Gary Franklin at 970-507-0670 and he will help get you some assistance. Thanks Gary!

Please see the link to CDOT on Driving on Winter Roads.

<https://www.codot.gov/travel/winter-driving/winter-preparedness>

2. **The Solar Radar Speed Sign** we ordered finally was delivered. We installed it 2 weeks ago. It cost \$3,200 which was split 3 ways between Archuleta County Road Dept, Timber Ridge Metro District and HOA.

It was installed on Bristlecone and the plan is to move it around to different locations. We have moved it to 2 locations on Bristlecone so far. We ordered a few brackets so moving the sign is pretty easy.

The sign also comes with a Cloud settings and reporting system, which provides easy changes to settings and a lot of traffic data such as Vehicle Count, Avg Speed, Max Speed by Hour,Day, Month. The sign appears to be working where the average speed has dropped to 29 mph with only 2.4 % of traffic driving above 40mph on Bristlecone for the past 2 weeks.

We will be meeting with Archuleta County's new Sheriff on ideas to keep Timber Ridge traffic slower.

The vehicle count from radar sign appears to agree with the Average Daily Traffic Count(ADT) the county does on Bristlecone each summer during the weekday.(weekends are lower)
Click link for Bristlecone Dr. ADT details on website: <https://ctrmd.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/11/Bristlecone-ADT.pdf>

The **Goal** is to have our Timber Ridge roads safe and vehicle speeds at the speed limit.(**25mph**) Due to the fact our streets have walkers, dog walkers, horse riders, bikes, wildlife(deer,elk, foxes etc) and snowy winters it is important to drive within the **Speed Limit. (25mph)**. Since the vast majority of our traffic is from residence, guest and residence's contractors/service vehicles we control the bulk of the traffic. So please drive the speed limit or less and please ask all your guests and contractors/service people to do the same.

Get on Pagosa Time! 25 mph. max speed.

Thanks,

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