

Winter is already here in Pagosa!

So, please see the update from the Colorado's Timber Ridge Metro District(CTRMD) Board. December 1, 2023.

A. Snow Plowing.

We changed the snow plowing contractor this year to Hart Custom Builders. They plowed our roads many years before. They will be using 2 or 3 one ton trucks with a steel plow to snow plow our roads this season. They already plowed last week when we had 5 inches of snow. They should be able to clear our roads quicker. It took 3.3 hours to clear our 8 miles of roads last week with 2 trucks. They also have the ability to spread sand/snow melt with a skid steer and attached spreader, if needed. They are charging \$160 per truck per hour. Prices have definitely increased in Pagosa the last couple of years.

Our contract stipulates "The basic criteria for snow plowing is 4 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 representatives. 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.

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 [Snow Plowing/Road Conditions](#) for snow plowing and road conditions updates.

How can you help with Winters in Timber Ridge:

1. Please drive **SLOW**. 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. If there is a fire hydrant near your house please try to keep it clear of snow.
4. Help keep the mailbox area in good shape. We purchased a new snow shovel and a bucket of snow melt, kept by the mailboxes to be used as needed. The ones purchased last year were stolen. 😞
5. Follow CDOT winter driving suggestions at this link: [CDOT Winter Preparedness](#)
6. Consider carrying some of these items needed in your vehicle 1. Snow Shovel, 2. Ice Scraper and 3. [Snow Tracks](#).
7. Help keep the Clubhouse concrete front patio clear of snow and ice. A bucket of sand with a hand spreader and shovel are on the front porch of the Clubhouse. When you use the Clubhouse please shovel and 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. Hart will be plowing the concrete patio in front of the Clubhouse this year.
8. Check the website [Snow Plowing/Road Conditions](#) before contacting us on any snow plowing issues.

B. Solar Radar Speed Sign

We ordered 2 more Solar Radar signs and installed them on the other two entrances to Timber Ridge. The cost was \$3,800 each, which was split 3 ways between Archuleta County Road Dept, Timber Ridge Metro District and HOA. So now we have a radar sign at each entrance to Timber Ridge.

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 and Enjoy the View. 25 mph. max speed.

C. Crack Sealng Roads

We hired Buck Taylor Owner of Sasquatch Asphalt Seal Coating & Crack Sealing out of Bayfield to seal our cracks in our 8 miles of asphalt roads. We have used Strohecker in the past but their availability this year was very limited. Sasquatch gave us a very good price and has done a good job so far with short notice. There were a lot more cracks this year than in the last few years. They completed 6 of our 8 miles and should finish the remaining early next week.

Thanks,

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