

# **SNOW / ICE REMOVAL PROCEDURES**

**Brook Hollow Estates**

**Effective: December 2021**

This document outlines the snow and ice removal procedures followed by Brook Hollow Estates and explains the rationale for the approach used to keep our streets clear after winter weather events.

We work to make our streets here on the mountain as safe as possible for travel during/after winter snow and ice storms. At the same time, the approach takes into consideration both the expected forecast and access demand. If possible we avoid using BHEPOA resources for these services by asking drivers to stay off the roads while the sun/temperatures melt the snow/ice during the usually short period of time. Working together, we can have streets that are safe to travel on while being good stewards of POA funds budgeted for this.

## **WHAT THE BHEPOA DOES:**

1. Prior to the winter season, the BHEPOA project coordinator will meet with the snow/ice removal contractor and ride the streets of the mountain to ensure there is a clear understanding of what has to be done during/after storms and what initiates the contractor's work.
2. In advance of a storm, the project coordinator will stay in close contact with the snow/ice removal contractor as weather develops to jointly determine the most effective course of action for each storm.
3. Depending on the severity and nature of each storm and the expected forecast after the storm (cold spells or warming trends), several courses of action are available.
  - a. For snow removal - the intent is to plow the snow after the storm has ended, but in some cases multiple plowings may be needed. Because of this, we ask you NOT to drive on unplowed roads as this makes subsequent removal more difficult and costly.
  - b. For ice removal - salt is used to melt the ice and is applied to the appropriate areas and in the appropriate quantities. There are some weather combinations that may call for pre-storm application of salt. Timing of this will be dependent on the timing of the storm, but an attempt will be made to hold off until most traffic has come or gone because vehicles can disperse the salt and reduce the effectiveness of that application.
4. The project coordinator will communicate the plan to everyone and provide updates when needed. It is important for all owners to keep contact information current with the BHEPOA Board.

## **WHAT IS NEEDED FROM PROPERTY OWNERS:**

1. During the winter months, be mindful of developing snow/ice storms and, if possible, plan ahead for your critical situations by parking a vehicle in one of the spots at the bottom of the mountain near the gate and arranging to get up or down the mountain by other means.
2. Follow the suggestion to stay off the roads for the period of time requested by the project coordinator.
3. If the above aren't possible, it will be very important let the project coordinator (see contact info below) know, **ahead of the storm**, that you'll have a critical need to leave the mountain during/after the storm and that it won't be possible for you to park your vehicle at the bottom. The project coordinator will coordinate with the snow/ice removal contractor to try to accommodate your need if possible.
4. If you are renting-out your home, you should ensure the renters are aware that it is possible they may have limited access to and from your property for a period of time following a snow/ice event.

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