

## Reduction in service

CDOT will be reducing the snow plow coverage on Hwy. 94 from Rush Rd. East. The hours of coverage will be from 5:00 AM to 7:00 PM. There will be plows running during those times if it is determined that a plow is needed. This reinstatement of 14 Hr. coverage is due to the current state of the budget. CDOT has Procedural Directive # 1055.2 that states any road section with less than 1000 cars a day will maintain 14 Hr coverage during normal snowfall.

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Subject			Number
PRIORITIES AND LEVEL OF SERVICE FOR SNOW AND ICE CONTROL			1055.2
Effective	Supersedes	Originating office	
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**PURPOSE:**

To guide state maintenance crews in the effort to provide reasonable protection, safety and mobility for the traveling public by removing snow and ice from roadways as allotted resources allow.

**AUTHORITY:**

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**DEFINITIONS:**

1. WINTER STORM shall mean: A) Any snowstorm, whether it is falling snow, blowing snow or both, that will cause other than dry roadway surface conditions. B) Includes a condition when roads are closed as a result of a snowstorm.
2. A.D.T. shall mean the average two-way daily traffic volume. It represents the total annual traffic for the year divided by 365.
3. ANTI ICING shall mean preventing ice and snow from bonding to the roadway surface.
4. DEICING shall mean to destroy the bonding of snow and ice once it has formed on the roadway surface.
5. ABRASIVES shall mean the grit material applied to icy and snow packed roadways to assist vehicles with traction.
6. ABRASIVES WITH MELTING AGENTS shall mean grit material and deicing agents applied to icy and snow packed roadways to provide traction.
7. NEAR NORMAL WINTER DRIVING CONDITION shall mean a driving condition ranging from dry road to a condition that includes snowpack and icy roadway that may have had abrasives, abrasives with melting agents, or deicing or anti icing agents applied.
8. CLEANUP OF ROADWAY SURFACE shall mean the effort required to remove snowpack and ice resulting in near normal winter driving conditions.
9. WIDENING shall mean the effort required to remove snow from the driving lanes and shoulder. Can include widening beyond shoulders to allow for snow storage

in the event of another storm.

10. 24 HOUR COVERAGE shall mean around the clock.
11. 14 HOUR COVERAGE shall mean from 5 a.m. to 7 p.m.
12. HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR shall mean Highway Maintenance Supervisor, Sr. Highway Maintenance Supervisor, Highway Maintenance Superintendent I or II.
13. AS DEEMED NECESSARY BY THE HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR shall mean the area Highway Maintenance Supervisor or maintenance worker designee in charge, who is knowledgeable of the area, will determine when conditions warrant more abrasives or agents be applied in areas other than this directive specifies.
14. NORMAL WORKING HOURS shall mean 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

#### PROCEDURE:

The Colorado Department of Transportation region maintenance forces will maintain all highways in as near normal winter driving conditions as resources and personnel can provide under given weather conditions. Roads will be closed when it is apparent to the Highway Maintenance Supervisor that the roadway will become impassable due to limited visibility, major accumulation of snow, drifting snow, avalanches, accidents, or stranded vehicles. The maintenance crews will make every effort to open all state highways to traffic as soon as safely possible. This will include the use of contractors' equipment when state personnel and equipment are not available, or the snow accumulation exceeds the capacity of state equipment. The application of abrasives, abrasives with melting agents, or the direct application of deicing or anti icing agents may be applied to roadways in controlled quantities as may be mandated by (CDOT) supervisors to conform with local environmental laws, guidelines or recommendations.

#### PRIORITIES:

1. In rural areas, or when CDOT plows and snow removal personnel are the only apparent source of help, plow drivers or Highway Maintenance Supervisors should attempt to check all stranded vehicles and remove occupants, if necessary, to provide safety and shelter.
2. Open all blocked routes as soon as safely possible. Clear all school bus and mail routes as soon as practical.
3. Remove as much snow as feasible from high side of super elevations or gore areas that may cause icy spots due to melting and freezing.
4. Widen snow ridges from roadways and shoulders where feasible to handle additional snow accumulation.

#### LEVEL OF SERVICE BY HIGHWAY CLASSIFICATION: