



# BOISE COUNTY

## RESOLUTION #2019-38

### A BOISE COUNTY RESOLUTION ADOPTING BOISE COUNTY ROAD AND BRIDGE SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL POLICY

**WHEREAS**, the Boise County Board of Commissioners had reviewed, approved and adopted a Snow and Ice Removal Policy via Resolution #2006-25; and

**WHEREAS**, a diligent review and discussion of an amended policy, has been accomplished by the Board of Boise County Commissioners, with Elected Officials and Department Heads; and

**WHEREAS**, agreement has been reached by the Board of Boise County Commissioners and Department Heads on the changes to the Snow and Ice Removal Policy.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Boise County Commissioners does hereby rescind Boise County Resolution #2006-25, and

**IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED** that Resolution #2019-38, known as the Boise County Road and Bridge Snow and Ice Removal Policy, be effective as of July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2019.

**APPROVED and ADOPTED** this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of July, 2019 in Open Session of the Boise County Board of County Commissioners.

#### BOISE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

ALAN D. WARD, Chairman

ROGER B. JACKSON, Commissioner

RYAN T. STIRM, Commissioner



**ATTEST:**

Mary T. Prisco, Clerk to the Board



## **BOISE COUNTY ROAD AND BRIDGE SNOW AND ICE HAZARD MITIGATION POLICY**

**Snow and Ice removal operations within Boise County are considered a vital part of the economic and social welfare of the county. Economics, however, require a balance between the level of service and the resources available to perform the service.**

The philosophy governing Boise County Snow Removal and Ice Mitigation is that all school bus routes on mainline county roads will be plowed and/or sanded in a timely manner so as to provide for the reasonable and safe accommodation of school bus traffic. Non school route mainline county roads will be opened in time for mail delivery and in time for citizens to travel in and from the county to work, and will be kept open late enough for citizens to return from work.

This policy is drafted in consideration of the following:

**With very limited exceptions, Boise County will not provide snow and ice control during nighttime hours, as well as a limited number of County roads that will not be plowed unless an accumulation of six inches (6") has occurred. Common exceptions will be to allow for safe travel of school buses, by order of the Sheriff or if a County disaster declaration for severe winter storms has been signed by the Boise County Commissioners.**

**Given the considerable area of Boise County as well as the possible diverse weather conditions that exist here, it is expected that motorists operating vehicles within Boise County to have the necessary equipment on or in their vehicles for safe and reasonable operation during or in the event of inclement weather within the county. (At a minimum, this includes chains and/or adequate snow tires.)**

All or parts of this policy may be affected by at least one or more of the following which will delay all or some of the services provided:

1. Equipment breakdown;
2. Weather so severe that crews cannot safely operate equipment;
3. Equipment rendered inadequate by the depth of snow or drifts;
4. Vehicles disabled due to snow depth,
5. Equipment maintenance, refueling, sand refilling, and crew breaks;
6. Unforeseen conditions and emergencies.

Whenever it is determined by the Road & Bridge Department that they are not able to clear roads for any reason, the Sheriff and the Boise County Emergency Manager, will be notified. The Boise County