

SOCORRO COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
RESOLUTION 2012-32
SNOW REMOVAL PRIORITY ROUTES

WHEREAS, NMSA 1978, Section 4-37-1 (1995) states Counties have “those powers necessary and proper to provide for the safety, preserve the health, promote the prosperity and improve the morals, order, comfort and convenience of [the] county or its inhabitants”; and,

WHEREAS, NMSA 1978, Section 67-2-2 (1905) provides that “[a]ll public highways, except such as are owned and operated by private corporations, and highways within the corporate limits of any incorporated city or town, shall be maintained and kept in repair by the respective counties in which they are located;” and

WHEREAS, Socorro County’s Road department provides snow and ice control for all county roads; and,

WHEREAS, Article IX, Section 14 of the NM Constitution prohibits the County from in directly or indirectly lending or pledging its credit or making any donation to or in aid of any person, association or public or private corporation, commonly known as the “Anti-Donation Clause.”

WHEREAS, the Socorro County Road Superintendent or designee is responsible to format and implement all snow removal efforts; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners approves and adopts the following priority system for snow removal during inclement weather:

1. All County Emergency Services Buildings (EOC, Fire Stations, etc.)
2. School Bus Routes
3. Major Arterial Routes
 - a. CR 91, Farm to Market Road, etc.
 - b. Phone calls for elderly and ill that may need medical attention.
4. Secondary and Collector Arterials
5. Mountainous Residential areas
 - a. Hop Canyon
 - b. La Jencia CR 96 & 104
 - c. CR 31
 - d. Assist other local government.
6. Other rural access roads
7. The County will only remove snow from a private road in case of an emergency when it is necessary to protect the health, safety and welfare of person(s) in the County. The County Road Superintendent/Assistant is authorized to determine that an emergency situation exists. If the Road Superintendent/Assistant makes such a determination he/she shall submit a report detailing the reason for the finding to the Board of County Commissions at the next regularly scheduled Commission meeting.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this 14th day of February, 2012.



DANIEL P. MONETTE, CHAIR

Absent

PAULINE JARAMILLO, VICE-CHAIR



PHILLIP ANAYA

Absent

RUMALDO J. GRIEGO



JUAN JOSE GUTIERREZ



ATTEST BY:



REBECCA (BECKY) VEGA, COUNTY CLERK