

GRANT COUNTY SNOW REMOVAL POLICY

Grant County does not have a Bare Roads Snow Removal Policy; therefore, the traveling public may encounter snowy and icy road conditions.

It is the policy of Grant County to initiate snow removal operations to maintain traffic as long as visibility is above minimum and weather conditions are such that plowing can be done safely and be effective for at least five hours.

The County Highway Superintendent, or his assignee, has the responsibility for initiating all snow removal actions using his best judgment and considering all prevailing weather conditions, amount of snow fall, type of snow fall and what areas are affected the most. He also may commence operations at any time when notified by the County Sheriff or a County Commissioner, due to emergencies or extreme conditions.

The general practice will be as follows: When snow fall is at least two inches but less than four inches all hard surfaced roads will be plowed during normal working hours, provided that the prevailing winds are such that snow remains on the traveled portion of the road. With a snowfall of four inches or more all gravel roads as well as hard surface roads will be plowed during normal working hours. At this time plowing may commence before and after normal working hours as well as weekends and holidays. The snow removal operations will be initiated out of Grant County Highway Shop and also from the satellite shed located in Marvin.

The priority of which roads are plowed and in what sequence is left up to the Highway Superintendent, or his assignee, taking into account the reported amounts, types and areas where the snow falls.

It is the County's policy to sand only intersections, curves and steep hills. Sanding will commence during normal working hours and may commence upon notification by the Sheriff or other law enforcement official that conditions are such that we are asked to commence sanding immediately. All sanding is initiated out of the Milbank Highway Shop and will work out toward our furthestmost borders.

Dated this 4th day of January, 2011


Chairman

ATTEST:

Auditor