

Snow & Ice Control

A Quick Guide to Keeping You Moving on Rocky View County's Roads

Rocky View County knows that no one likes getting stuck on a snow-clogged road. To help keep you moving, our crews are quick to respond when a snow event happens. Plowing prioritizes initial opening of routes; widening when permissible.



PAVED ROADS are sanded and plowed in the following order after a snow event:

Priority 1: Main service roads and/or roads that have the highest traffic volumes.

Priority 2: Roads with lower traffic volumes that connect to a main service road or serve subdivisions and local residential areas.

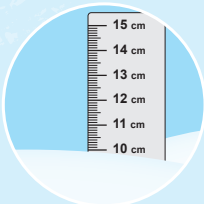


OUR SERVICE GOAL is to complete snow and ice control on Priority 1 roads within 36 hours of the end of a snowfall event, and Priority 2 roads within 60 hours of the end of a snowfall event.

Our service goal is an average. It may take more time to clear roads if:

- The snowfall is continuous or prolonged, requiring us to start over on Priority 1 roads.
- Snow falls at night or during peak traffic times, when equipment must travel more slowly for safety.
- Parked or abandoned vehicles are blocking roads.
- The snowfall is unusually heavy.

Visit www.rockyview.ca/SnowControl to see a map of the road priorities.

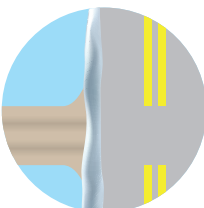


GRAVEL ROADS are plowed when the snow pack reaches 10 cm.



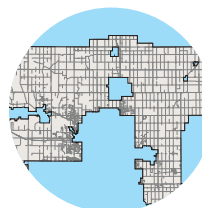
UNMAINTAINED ROADS used for moving large farm vehicles or equipment are plowed by request as resources permit.

All primary and secondary highways in the County are cleared by Government of Alberta Contractors.



SNOW RIDGES

Like most municipalities, we don't clear the snow ridges (windrows) left at the roadside and ends of driveways after a snow plow has cleared a road — landowners are responsible for this. Snow is currently only hauled away when a road safety or drainage issue exists — there is a cost to snow removal and potential issues, such as spring flooding or land contamination, can occur at storage sites.



OUR SERVICE AREA

We plow every public road in the County — 2,224 lane kilometres of paved roads and 2,987 lane kilometres of gravel roads that are spread across an area more than four times the size of Calgary.