

**BEAR VALLEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL
(BVCC)**



March 27, 2008

Greetings:

Winter is almost over and spring is quickly approaching. Here are a few items to keep in mind to get us through the winter season and into spring.

First, downed trees will be a hindrance to snow removal operations. If the tree is within the rights-of-way, then it will be the LRSA's responsibility to remove the downed tree. *Per Anchorage Municipal Code 24.70.020.C, it is the duty of anyone who owns property that abuts public places (rights-of-way) to remove any dead tree which has become dead or is in a condition as to be hazardous to the public.* Therefore, if a tree falls from your property on to snow storage area or roadway, it will be the property owner's responsibility to remove.

Second, it is the property owner or occupants responsibility to make sure snow from their own driveway is placed on property and not pushed out on to or across the road. *Per Anchorage Municipal Code 24.80.090.D, no person shall place, leave or deposit upon any street, avenue, alley, sidewalk or other public place any accumulation of snow or ice which has been removed from a private driveway or parking area.* If all property owners will keep their own snow on property, this will allow the LRSA to plow and maintain the roads more efficiently.

Last, encroachments into the rights of way not only hinder snow removal and summer maintenance, they create a safety hazard for the equipment operators and the traveling public. Storing boats, trailers, old cars, construction material, etc on the streets and in the right of way is unacceptable. Please take some time to determine if you do have an encroachment within the rights of way. If you do, have them moved on to your property. This spring an effort will be made to identify these hazards and have them removed.

In conclusion, it will take a joint effort by the homeowner and the local LRSA to plow and maintain your local roads. If you have any questions or need clarification, feel free to call.

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(Heights Hill and connectivity)

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BV LRSA

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Right of Way Inspection

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Cheri Lipps".

Cheri Lipps

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Community Reminder



June is Bear Valley Firewise Month

The annual Community Clean-up & Firewise Day will be Saturday, June 7, 2008 followed by a BBQ and last council meeting for the summer.

AFD Wildfire Mitigation Office will have a wood chipper and crew on hand for this event. Watch for upcoming messages on how to participate in this event and to make your property and our community Firewise.

To obtain a Municipality of Anchorage Burn Permit go to: www.muni.org/fire and select Burn Permits or call 267-4980

Bear Valley Community Council

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