



City of Nome 2020-2021 Snow Removal Procedures for Major Blizzards and Ground Storms

Listed below are the prioritized actions that the City of Nome will undertake during the 2020-2021 snow season. These actions are meant as a guide and do not commit the City to any course of action other than that which is deemed to be in the best interests of safety and City resources.

- I. During major blizzards and ground storms, DPW crews will stand by and only attempt to open streets as required in emergency situations.
- II. Once the storm has abated, every effort will be made to open fire lanes (one lane) on every street in town.
- III. Once fire lanes have been established, crews will begin to open major (school bus) routes to two lanes of traffic. Streets identified as priority are * East and West 5th Ave. * West 1st Ave. * West 2nd Ave. * West E Street * East K Street * Icy View Loop * East N Street.
- IV. Once major routes have been opened to two lanes of traffic, crews will begin opening the remaining streets to two lanes of traffic.
- V. Once the streets have been opened to two lanes of traffic, crews will systematically begin to widen, clean and haul snow to designated snow storage sites. Service areas will be rotated in order that all areas of town receive equal treatment during this clean up.
- VI. Sanding of select streets will be performed by ADOT and the City. Other streets will be sanded when conditions warrant and resources allow.
- VII. The major snow storage for the City of Nome is the snow storage site located off Greg Kruschek Avenue.

Once again these plans are meant as a guide. We ask that you work with us to make snow removal as quick as possible. Please use caution of what is shoveled into piles does not contain materials that could damage our equipment.

Some things that will help our efforts are:

- Cars should be parked off the rights-of-way as much as possible during the clearing and removal of snow;
- Obstructions (buildings, dog houses, snow machines, 4-wheelers, trash boxes, etc.) that prevent removal of snow should be moved farther on to private property if at all possible;
- Be alert to the area of town in which we are working and, if at all possible, keep parked cars and traffic to a minimum in these areas.
- **Pushing of snow into the public right-of-way during a storm, and after a street has been cleared, is discouraged.**

After hours, on the weekends and holidays, City crews will be on-call as needed. Due to the limited resources within the City, local contractors will be utilized to provide additional manpower and equipment as necessary. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Public Works Department at 443-6642. Thank you for your assistance and cooperation!