

FALL/WINTER EASEMENT CLEANUP

Due December 1, 2021

This past year, we continued to make major investments in our road system. We will continue to improve our roads as the funds allow. In order to protect our investment, it is very important to keep your easements cleaned out. Keeping your ditches clear of any leaves or debris allows the water to flow into or through the culverts. Water flowing across the roadway is detrimental to our roads. Here are things you need to take care of right away:

- Clear all leaves and debris in the ditches along your property lines.
- Trim back any brush/bushes that impede the flow of water in the ditches.
- Clean out the culverts under your driveway and make sure the water can flow freely
- If your driveway culverts are collapsed, you will need to open them up so the water can flow through.
- Remove any rocks in front of your driveway culvert so as to not impede the flow of water.
- All bushes, brush, trees must be trimmed back at least 4 feet from the edge of the road/ditching.
- All brush or trees cannot hang over the road lower than 14 feet from the road surface.
- Remove any dead tree branches that hang over the road so they do not fall onto any cars or people (if the tree is on your property, you will be responsible for any damage caused by a falling branch).
- **If you have the curb/ditching with the rocks in your easement, you must clear all leaves and debris in the rocks. If the rocks fill up with leaves and debris, the water will no longer be able to drain as designed and will drain onto or under the road.**

Anyone who has not completed their easement cleanup by December 1, 2021, will receive a letter notifying them to take care of the clean up or possibly incur a fine. **If you have leaves/debris that continues to get into the ditching or culverts, you will need to continue to keep it clean throughout the fall/winter. Keeping your easement clean is an ongoing necessity.**

If you have any questions on what you should be cleaning up on your property, contact a member of the Board.

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