





Snow Removal Operations Overview





Trigger for Action

Snow removal begins after ~4 inches of accumulation and between 2 - 4 inches of wet snow accumulation. The Street Foreman has discretion over the consistency.



Crew Activation

During heavy snow events, crews are called out as early as 2:00 AM by the Street Foreman.



Berm Formation

Equipment may create a snow berm in the middle of roads.— Crews remove berms to snow dumps as soon as possible.— Please be patient during large-scale events.



Street Priorities & Sanding



- Hospital routes
- Schools & bus routes
- City Hall, Fire & Police
- Residential streets

Sanding:— Applied as needed, conditions permitting.— Scarifier blades used during high winds for better traction.



2024–2025 Concerns & Responses

Corbin Loop Contractor Delay:

- Did not begin until >10" snowfall.
- Issue was addressed; no repeat incident.

Freezing Rain:

- Sand was often iced over or washed away.
- Led to reduced effectiveness despite frequent sanding.



What's Changing for 2025–2026



 Street Foreman will call out contractors at the same time as City crews during emergency events.

Improved Communication:

 Continued use of City Facebook and website for public updates.

Snow Management Plan Updates:

- Updating our Snow Management by year-end 2025. City Manager Policy Review in 2026.
- Ongoing efforts to improve safety, efficiency, and public expectation management.



Snow Removal Challenges





New Neighborhoods & Streets

Growth: New neighborhoods and streets increase service demands.

Constraints: No added crews, contractors, or equipment.

Storage: Snow storage capacity remains insufficient.



Resident Issues with Private Snow Removal

Increased use of contracted and private ATVs, skid steers, and tractors storing snow on city streets

Residents clearing beyond areas allowed by city code

Limited enforcement leading to ongoing conflicts and safety concerns



Potential Code Revision

Explore prohibiting heavy equipment (private & contractor) from storing snow in streets



Residential Snow Placement Rules

What Residents Can Do:

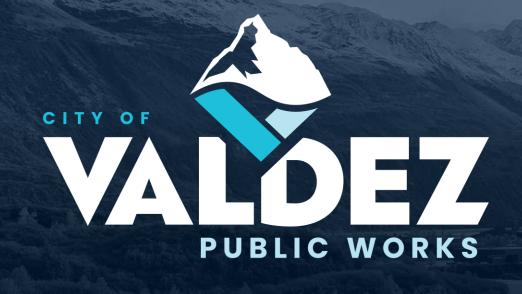
- You may shovel snow from your driveway or walkway to the edge of the road.
- Make sure it's:
 - As close to the road edge as possible
 - Not blocking traffic or driveways

What Residents Can't Do:

- Don't dump snow into the street from other areas of your property (like your yard or large roof cleanoffs).
- That snow must stay on your lot or be hauled to a City-approved snow lot.

Contractors & Paid Help:

- Anyone paid to remove any snow may not dump it in the street, sidewalk, or right-of-way.
- They must haul it to the nearest authorized City snow storage lot.
- Snow must be stacked near existing piles without blocking access to the lot.



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Questions?