



Blue River Staff Report

August 2024

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Trustee Pilling

- Trustee Pilling passed away on August 5th. A memorial page has been created and a link is available on the home page of the Town website. In lieu of flowers, donations are being collected for two charities: <https://everloved.com/life-of/edmund-pilling/>

Weed & Seed Program

- For the fourth year in a row, the Town of Blue River will be hosting the Weed & Seed Program. The program is designed to encourage residents to pull and address the various noxious weeds throughout the area. Weeds may be brought to Town Hall and as a thank you, residents may take a seed of wildflower seeds. Weed mitigation is a never-ending effort but it hoped with enough work, the number of noxious weeds will be reduced and the Town filled with beautiful wildflowers.
- To date two dumpster loads of weeds have been collected.

Wildfire Projects

- Right-of-Way Mitigation
 - After outreach to residents within the Phase 1 area, 14 homes have agreed to right-of-way fire mitigation in front of their homes. Red, White and Blue Fire are working to identify trees at those properties and once final approval is received from the residents, Beetle Kill Tree Guys and TSH will conduct the mitigation.
 - A date is being set for slash chipping and will be announced soon.
- Blue River East Fire Mitigation
 - A presentation will be conducted on Wednesday, August 21st 4-6 p.m. at Town Hall and via Zoom on the project. The presentation is being conducted by representatives from the Colorado State Forest Service and the US Forest Service.
- The Wildfire Council is conducting another tour on August 21st 4:00 p.m. of the Rainbow Lake area.

Events

- The Town of Blue River turns 60 on August 26th. A Town Celebration is being planned by the Citizen Advisory Committee for Thursday, September 12th, 5-7 p.m. at Theobald Park. A food truck and treats/beverages will be provided. More information to come.

Clyde Lode

- The Town officially closed on the purchase of three acres in the Clyde Lode Subdivision on July 30th. Meetings are ongoing with Breckenridge and Summit County. Plans are being

developed to determine what work is needed. Additional easements are being sought for the trail connection.

Roads

- The contractor will be back in September for touch up work, culvert clearing and additional work on Wagon Road.

Website/Document Accessibility Progress

- In accordance with State Law, work continues to bring the Town website and documents into compliance. At this time there are 14 critical/serious issues to be resolved and 19 warning issues to be resolved.



Code Violations logged into Citizen Serve YTD for 2024: 20

- Advertising Violations: 15
- Dog Violation: 1
- Snow Removal Violation: 1
- Construction Site: 1
- Trash: 2

**Code Complaint Calls to Dispatch
July Total Code Calls-11**

Complaint	Subdivision	Action
Campfire-2 calls	Crown	No Violation Found
	New Eldorado	Ticket Issued
Noise-1 call	Crown	Warning & Education
Parking-7 calls	Timber Creek Estates- 2 complaints	Warning & Education
	Hwy 9-2 complaints	Warning & Education
	New Eldorado	Warning & Education
	Royal Subdivision	Warning & Education
	96 Subdivision	Warning & Education

Town Statistics

Facebook Page Likes
Town-1,300
Police Department-923
Instagram-1,265 followers
Twitter (X)-83 followers
Threads-186
Residents on Email List-1,016
Blue River News-1,197
TextMyGov-143

Business Licenses-268

Lodging Registrations-224

Municipal Court August

Total tickets written for July Court: 14
Total on the August Docket: 4
Total August Failure to appear(s): 0
Total August OJW(s): 0

Building Statistics

July 2024

Permits Issued: 30

YTD: 110

Inspections: 88

New Construction 2024: 2

**Certificates of Occupancy New
Construction 2024:1**

Tarn Permits

YTD July 31, 2024

Resident Permits: 195

Boat Permits: 193



End of Month Report: July 2024

Calls for Service

Total number of a calls: 282+

Top 10 calls as follows:

Traffic Stops	106
Area Patrols	76
Motorist Assists	23
Other Agency Backup	6
Road Hazard	5
Alarms	5
Extra Watch Request	5
Medicals	4
Suspicious Person/Vehicle	4
Motor Vehicle Accidents	4

Summary: July has been the highest number of calls for service this year. There was a significant increase with activity on Hwy. 9.

Arrests: 4

Motor Vehicle Crash: 4

DUI: 3

Current Administrative Focus

- Budget – The Department is currently evaluating budgetary outlook for 2025 fiscal year.
- Public Safety – The Department will be conducting more High Visibility Enforcement (DUI enforcement) in response to an increase in motor vehicle accidents and DUIs. A recent MVA/DUI almost resulted in a possible fatality with a near miss of two head on crashes in the same incident.

Report prepared by:
Chief, David Close

Financial Summary Report

Prepared by: Michelle Eddy, Town Manager

Month Ending July 31, 2024

Revenues/Expenditures:

Revenues are ahead of budget for the by 19.72%. Sales tax, lodging tax, building and franchise fees are all tracking ahead of budget. Expenses are tracking below budget by 7.87%.

Reserve Accounts *As of 7/31/24

Unrestricted

Reserve accounts Alpine Bank:	\$1,447,883.85
CD's Citywide Bank:	\$211,498.41
Colorado Trust Assigned to Capital:	\$3,506,540.80
Colorado Trust Assigned to Broadband:	\$210,103.47
CSAFE:	\$100.00
Illiquid Trust Funds:	\$1,187.42

Total Unrestricted	\$5,377,313.95
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Restricted

American Rescue Plan Funds:	\$194,616.40
Conservation Trust:	\$153,603.33

Total Reserves Restricted	\$348,219.73
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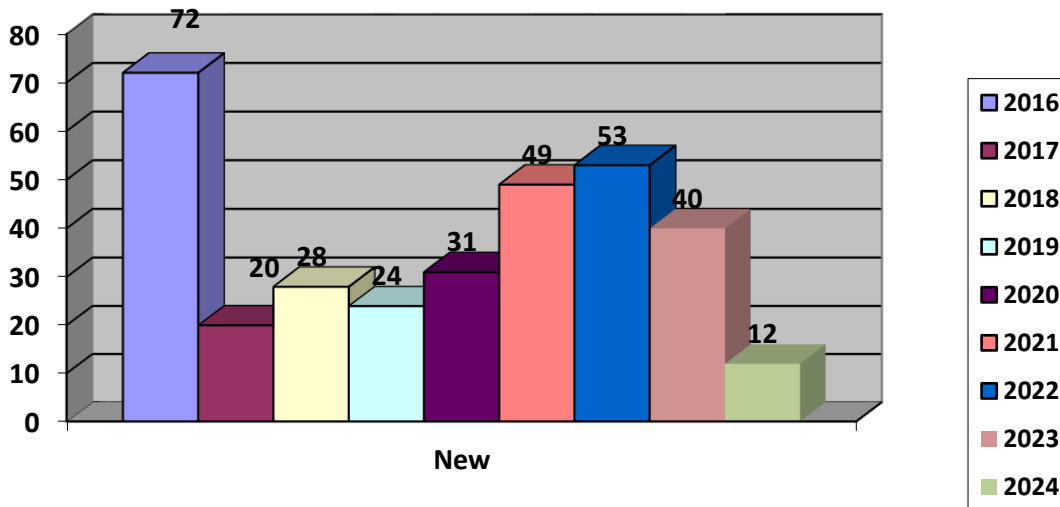


Town of Blue River

Staff Report
Short-term Rental Update
July 31, 2024
 Submitted By: Michelle Eddy, Town Manager

Statistics

Total Active Licenses as of 7/31/2024: 224-28%



Annual Revenue

Year	Sales Tax	Lodging Tax
2016	\$264,757.05	\$123,742.00
2017	\$237,468.92	\$126,585.55
2018	\$286,968.54	\$155,511.07
2019	\$425,616.72	\$166,883.33
2020	\$842,141.13	\$176,339.81
2021	\$844,558.23	\$228,743.34
2022	\$1,002,256.27	\$327,762.62
2023	\$996,818.50	\$303,230.72
2024	\$657,585.91	\$180,867.23

Percentage of STRs by Subdivision

*****Please note the percentage of STRS is based on total homes built within each subdivision and NOT buildable lots.***

Subdivision	# STR	%STR **	% Build Out	% Full-Time Res.
96 Sub	10	27%	90%	30%
97 Sub	12	29%	84%	37%
Aspen View	7	44%	80%	13%
Blue Rock Springs	13	24%	93%	46%
Bryce Estates	1	25%	57%	0%
Clyde Lode	0	0%	50%	0%
Coronet	10	32%	78%	35%
Crown	23	34%	93%	28%
DOT Condo	5	14%	100%	31%
DOT Placer	0	0%	50%	100%
Golden Crown	3	60%	63%	20%
Lakeshore	13	33%	93%	23%
Leap Year	8	38%	91%	43%
Louise Placer	2	29%	70%	14%
McCullough Gulch	1	33%	43%	67%
Meiser	2	100%	100%	0%
Misc Sec TR7-77 Land	0	0%	22%	40%
Mountain View	13	27%	96%	34%
New Eldorado Sub	4	50%	73%	38%
New Eldorado Townhomes	1	11%	100%	56%
Pennsylvania Canyon	0	0%	100	0%
Pomeroy	0	0%	0%	0%
Rivershore	0	0%	63%	0%
Royal	16	24%	94%	31%
Sherwood Forest	20	26%	94%	23%
Silverheels	1	25%	67%	29%
Spillway	3	15%	90%	25%
Spruce Valley Ranch	0	0%	68%	20%
Sunnyslope	13	43%	86%	33%
Timber Creek Estates	29	41%	89%	7%
Wilderness	14	25%	96%	33%

**Place Currently Not Set
Traffic Survey Summary**

Location: Spruce Creek Rd
Start Date: 7/12/2024
End Date: 7/24/2024

Zone: Residential
Start Time: 11:57:15
End Time: 10:54:54
Travel Direction: N

Speed	1 - 19	20 - 21	22 - 23	24 - 25	26 - 27	28 - 29	30 - 31	32 - 33	34 - 35	36 - 37	38 - 39	40 - 999
Volume	3968	665	541	349	191	88	28	13	4	2	2	0
% of Total	67.81%	11.36%	9.24%	5.96%	3.26%	1.5%	0.47%	0.22%	0.06%	0.03%	0.03%	0%
									Total Vehicles: 5851			

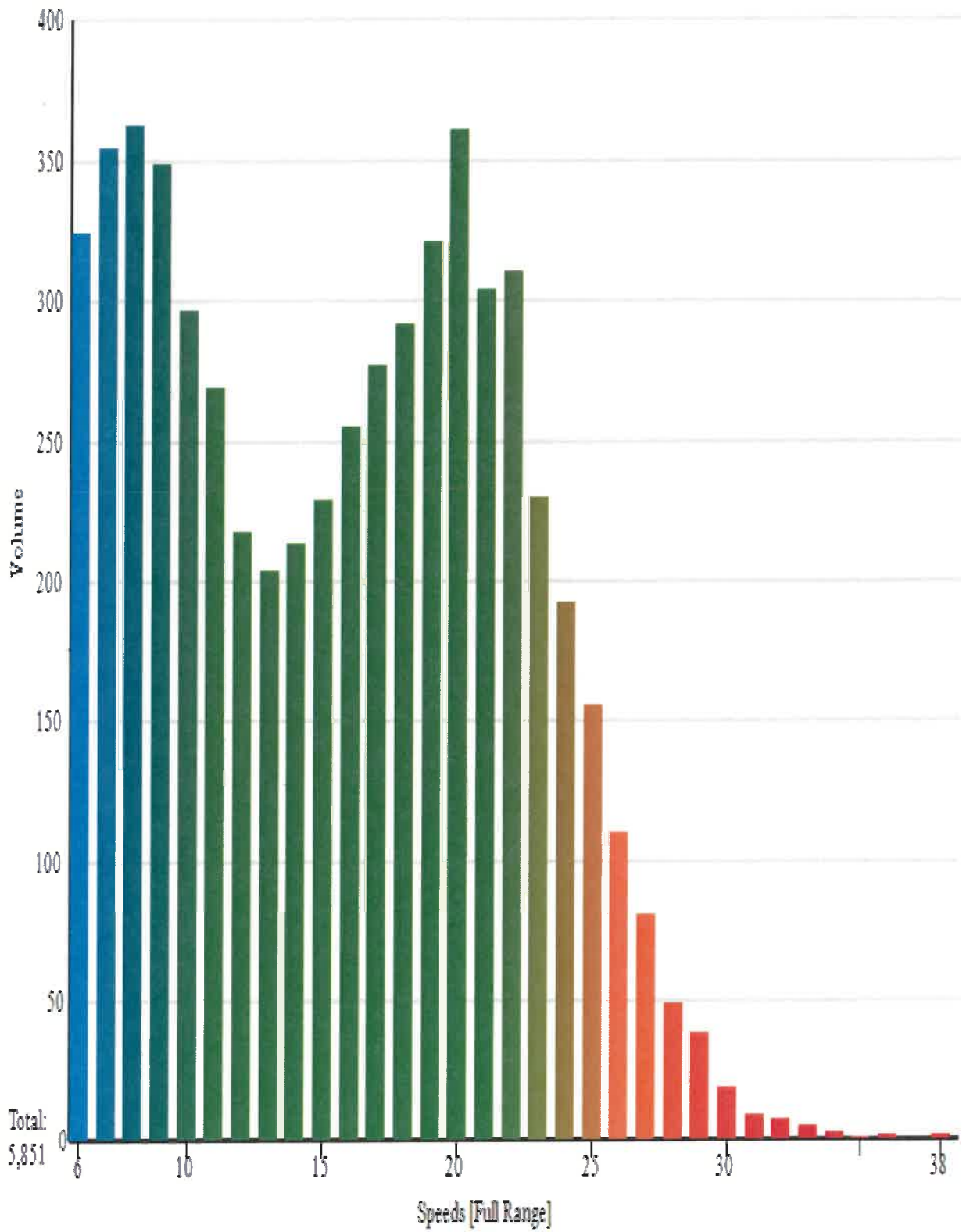
Speed Statistics		10 MPH Pace		Number Exceeding Limit				
Posted	15	Pace Speed	6 to 15	Speed	15+	25+	35+	Total
#At/Under Limit	2823	# in Pace	2823	Number	2700	324	4	3028
# Over Limit	3028	% in Pace	48.24%	Percent	46.14%	5.53%	0.06%	51.75%
Average Speed	15.65	85% Percentile	23					

Place Currently Not Set
Speed/Volume Graph

Location: Spruce Creek Rd
Dates: 7/12/2024 to 7/24/2024

Zone: Residential
Speed Limit: 15 MPH

Travel Direction: N



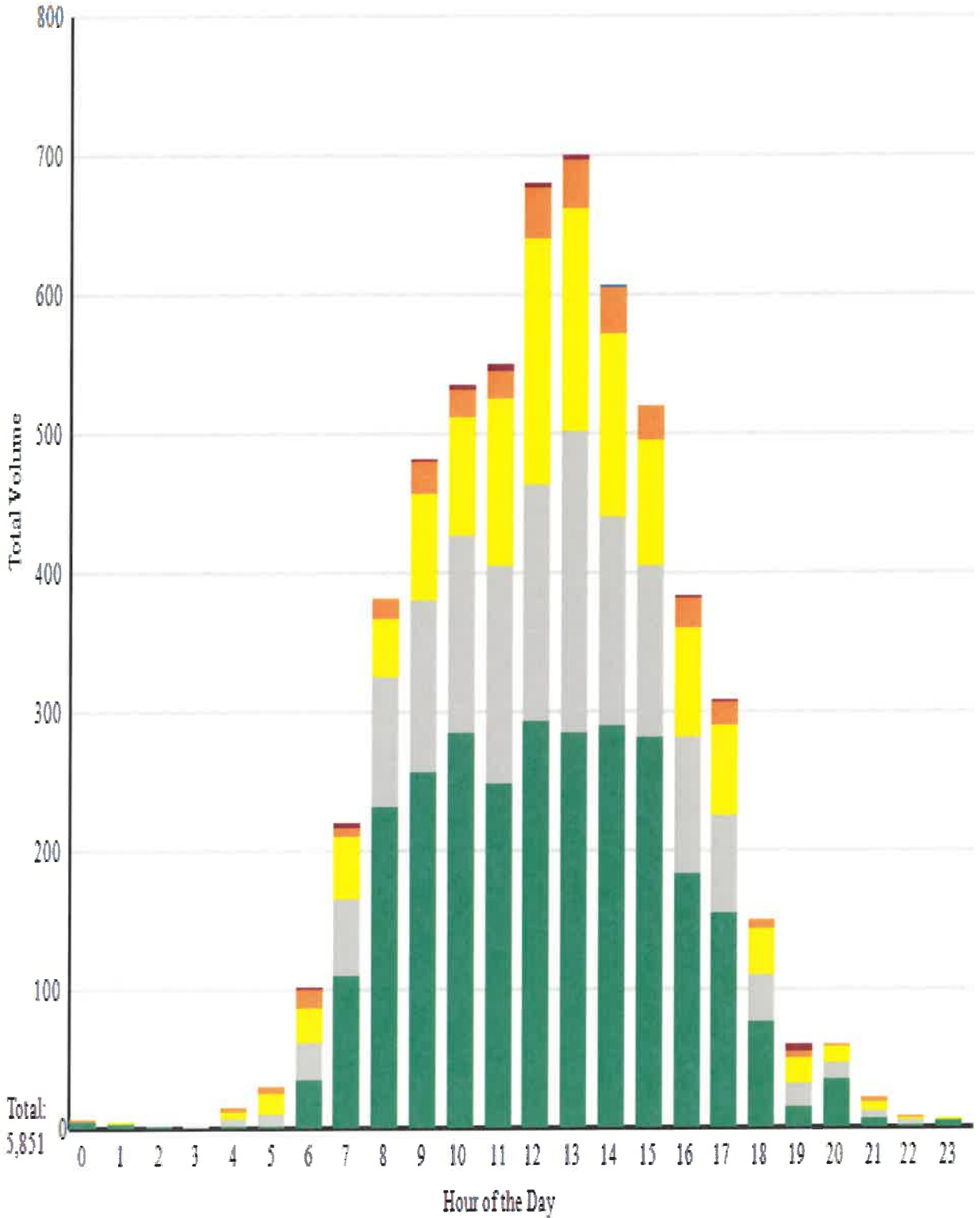
**Place Currently Not Set
Speed/Time/Volume Graph**

Location: Spruce Creek Rd
Dates: 7/12/2024 to 7/24/2024

Zone: Residential
Speed Limit: 15 MPH

Travel Direction: N

■ ≤15
 ■ 16-20
 ■ 21-25
 ■ 26-30
 ■ 31-35
 ■ 36+



Total:
5,851

Place Currently Not Set
Daily Traffic Flow - 15 minute interval

Location: Spruce Creek Rd

Zone: Residential
Travel Direction: N

Friday, 7/12/2024					
Time AM	Vehicle Count	Hour Total	Time PM	Vehicle Count	Hour Total
00:00 to 00:15	0		12:00 to 12:15	12	
00:15 to 00:30	0		12:15 to 12:30	13	
00:30 to 00:45	0		12:30 to 12:45	14	
00:45 to 01:00	0	0	12:45 to 13:00	13	52
01:00 to 01:15	0		13:00 to 13:15	15	
01:15 to 01:30	0		13:15 to 13:30	13	
01:30 to 01:45	0		13:30 to 13:45	17	
01:45 to 02:00	0	0	13:45 to 14:00	29	74
02:00 to 02:15	0		14:00 to 14:15	11	
02:15 to 02:30	0		14:15 to 14:30	16	
02:30 to 02:45	0		14:30 to 14:45	10	
02:45 to 03:00	0	0	14:45 to 15:00	14	51
03:00 to 03:15	0		15:00 to 15:15	5	
03:15 to 03:30	0		15:15 to 15:30	17	
03:30 to 03:45	0		15:30 to 15:45	9	
03:45 to 04:00	0	0	15:45 to 16:00	12	43
04:00 to 04:15	0		16:00 to 16:15	15	
04:15 to 04:30	0		16:15 to 16:30	8	
04:30 to 04:45	0		16:30 to 16:45	13	
04:45 to 05:00	0	0	16:45 to 17:00	7	43
05:00 to 05:15	0		17:00 to 17:15	15	
05:15 to 05:30	0		17:15 to 17:30	6	
05:30 to 05:45	0		17:30 to 17:45	4	
05:45 to 06:00	0	0	17:45 to 18:00	7	32
06:00 to 06:15	0		18:00 to 18:15	8	
06:15 to 06:30	0		18:15 to 18:30	1	
06:30 to 06:45	0		18:30 to 18:45	6	
06:45 to 07:00	0	0	18:45 to 19:00	4	19
07:00 to 07:15	0		19:00 to 19:15	5	
07:15 to 07:30	0		19:15 to 19:30	3	
07:30 to 07:45	0		19:30 to 19:45	0	
07:45 to 08:00	0	0	19:45 to 20:00	1	9
08:00 to 08:15	0		20:00 to 20:15	3	
08:15 to 08:30	0		20:15 to 20:30	3	
08:30 to 08:45	0		20:30 to 20:45	1	
08:45 to 09:00	0	0	20:45 to 21:00	1	8
09:00 to 09:15	0		21:00 to 21:15	1	
09:15 to 09:30	0		21:15 to 21:30	1	
09:30 to 09:45	0		21:30 to 21:45	1	
09:45 to 10:00	0	0	21:45 to 22:00	0	3
10:00 to 10:15	0		22:00 to 22:15	0	
10:15 to 10:30	0		22:15 to 22:30	0	
10:30 to 10:45	0		22:30 to 22:45	0	
10:45 to 11:00	0	0	22:45 to 23:00	0	0
11:00 to 11:15	0		23:00 to 23:15	0	
11:15 to 11:30	0		23:15 to 23:30	0	
11:30 to 11:45	0		23:30 to 23:45	0	
11:45 to 12:00	4	4	23:45 to 24:00	0	0

Total AM	4
Peak Hour AM	11:00 to 12:00
Peak Flow AM	4
Peak % of AM	100%
Peak AM % of 24 H	1.18%

Total PM	334
Peak Hour PM	13:00 to 14:00
Peak Flow PM	74
Peak % of PM	22.15%
Peak PM % of 24	21.89%

**Place Currently Not Set
Traffic Summary Week**

Location: Spruce Creek Rd
7/12/2024 to 7/18/2024

Zone: Residential
Travel Direction: N

	Fri 12 Jul	Sat 13 Jul	Sun 14 Jul	Mon 15 Jul	Tue 16 Jul	Wed 17 Jul	Thu 18 Jul	Weekday Average	Weekend Average
Midnight	0	1	3	0	0	0	3	0	2
1:00	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
2:00	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
3:00	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
4:00	0	0	1	3	1	1	2	1	0
5:00	0	2	4	1	2	3	3	1	3
6:00	0	14	10	10	6	12	10	7	12
7:00	0	15	21	21	19	19	20	15	18
8:00	0	36	41	30	25	12	35	20	38
9:00	0	58	45	50	38	18	31	27	51
10:00	0	59	55	37	36	28	45	29	57
11:00	4	67	61	42	36	42	52	35	64
12:00	52	78	65	54	43	38	53	48	71
13:00	74	78	41	61	42	63	47	57	59
14:00	51	61	38	44	37	46	47	45	49
15:00	43	65	23	39	37	51	45	43	44
16:00	43	41	40	33	12	22	21	26	40
17:00	32	51	35	12	9	35	11	19	43
18:00	19	21	9	2	5	15	8	9	15
19:00	9	11	4	2	1	5	7	4	7
20:00	8	5	5	5	3	6	5	5	5
21:00	3	3	1	0	1	1	4	1	2
22:00	0	1	0	0	1	2	1	0	0
23:00	0	1	1	0	1	4	0	1	1
Totals	338	668	505	448	356	423	451	403	586