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Ladies and Gentlemen,

We are asking for your help with a situation that has existed regarding our property for the past four years. We have lived at 2734 Cassy Lane (Breaker Ridge subdivision) for close to 10 years. Within the first six years of living here, we had no problems with the snowplowing that took place to clear the roads in the subdivision. For the past several years, there has been a change in the efficiency of this service to our subdivision, which has resulted in damage to our property. Also, we have seen that ours is not the only property in Breaker Ridge damaged by the snowplowing.

For us, the damage has increased in amount with each year that passes, beginning about 4 years ago. The snowplow began kicking gravel into the ditch; this year, even though we only had a couple of snow events that required snow plowing, we ended up with gravel several inches deep, along with big chunks of blacktop, in our ditch (for a distance of about 70 feet). Several chunks of the blacktop landed at least 4 feet down in the ditch. We have included pictures.

The area of gravel between the grass and the road has almost doubled in width over the past 4 years. The gravel area on the east side of our driveway remains unchanged; it is the gravel area between our driveway and the property line on the west side of our property that has sustained all of the damage. The difference in damage between the east and west sides of our property can be accounted for, for the most part, by the fact that the road on the east side of our property is straight road, and the road on the west side of our property bends into a cul de sac, although we have seen damage along straight parts of road in other parts of our subdivision.

Please keep in mind that there was no problem with damage to our property prior to the past 4 years, which means it is possible to plow the roads in our subdivision without inflicting damage to the properties within our subdivision. We have no idea what has changed with the snowplowing service provided by the Town of Clayton over the past several years.

Since the damage was inflicted on our property, at some point, someone came and repaired the road itself by patching in some blacktop (pictured included), but nothing was done to take care of the gravel and blacktop deposited in the ditch by the snowplow.



Chunks of black top and gravel
in our ditch (some spots 4 to 6
inches deep)





Width of gravel shoulder has been widening significantly each year.



Asphalt repair by edge of road



Damage stretches from our driveway to neighbors driveway



