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PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

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NOME SNOW OPERATIONS

The DOT and City Snow Crews would like to remind everyone of proper ways to clear or remove snow. Lately there has been a lack of effort by some operations that pile, remove, or displace snow in areas where it should not be stacked. Please work with our crews on coordinating where to pile snow if you do not have your own area, otherwise it may be put back in your yard or parking lot and you will have to haul it to one of the snow dumps.

Please keep the following things in consideration when clearing driveways, sidewalks, and parking lots:

- ➤ All emergency/egress routes need to stay clear. This includes fire hydrants, power poles and power lines, roads and right of ways. No snow should be piled next to or under power lines and all emergency access routes need to stay clear.
- > Snow piles on the road-especially near an intersection or corner. Please keep piles away from the intersections so they do not create blind spot hazards.
- ➤ Placement of snow piles. If they are put in the road as a hazard you may have to pay twice to have it moved. Crews have the right to move it back in to your area if it poses a road hazard. They also become an attraction for kids to play on so keeping them away from the main roads is important.
- ➤ Illegal parking on the highway or other city roads. Same situation here if it is a road hazard- your vehicle can be removed at the discretion of safety. (Highway across from City Field is a good example during storms)

With everyone's cooperation we can keep the roads clear and safe for the travelling public.

For further information on snow operations please contact:

SOA DOT: Superintendent, Calvin Schaeffer @ (907)443-3411 or Highway Foreman Gary Longley @ (907)443-3520 or cell (907)304-1305

City of Nome: PW Supervisor, Cole Cushman or Chris Schuneman, Road Crew Foreman at (907)443-6642

Help us report road hazards!

Send photos and reports by text to 907-304-1331 or 907-304-1305.

Please include the name of the road and mile marker.

Always drive for the conditions.

Use caution around marked areas and working around heavy equipment.

THANK YOU!