

## **WINTER MAINTENANCE PROCEDURE**

Supervisory person on call is responsible for making a determination of the necessity to work people throughout the night or start crews early based on the need and safety to the motoring public. Prior to any action the on call person shall notify the operations manager.

The county Sheriff's department handles after hours emergency calls and directs them to the road commission on call person.

### **Normal Accumulations:**

The Foremen shall be notified early enough to patrol their area prior to 2:30 a.m. to determine the exact procedure to follow. The Crews typically start at 4:00 a.m. plowing and placing chemicals as required by the severity of the event.

### **After Normal Working Hours:**

The scheduling of overtime both after normal working hours and on the weekend depends on a variety of factors including road conditions, weather conditions, nature of the storm, time of storm, etc. When threatening weather is in the forecast, the on-call person will monitor and evaluate road conditions and contact personnel to work if the situation calls for it.

The weekend work is primarily concentrated on the primary road system with limited work on local road system unless conditions warrant it.

### **Abandoned Cars:**

Cars abandoned in the traveled portion of the road are subject to be removed if they interfere with the snow plowing operations or the traveling public. This will be done through the county Sheriff's department at the owner's expense.

Road commission vehicles and personnel are not authorized to push or pull cars that have become stuck or disabled.

The Lenawee County Road Commission encourages motorists to drive defensively and at a safe speed according to the conditions. Even with the best service, driving conditions may still be hazardous in the winter months.