# CITY OF LAS VEGAS PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT SNOW REMOVAL PRIORITIES



- A. Snow removal priorities shall be established by route, type and use including average daily traffic and commuter route factors.
  - 1. Higher priority routes shall receive greater attention.
  - 2. Lower priority routes may receive less attention until resources become available.
- B. A map with priority routes shall be prepared and published for public comment prior to commencement of the snow season. A copy of the map showing priority routes will be available for public inspection at each District Office location.

### **PRIORITY and HEAVILY TRAVELED ROADS**

- Legion Drive (Alta Vista Hospital)
- 8<sup>th</sup> Street (Emergency Vehicles)
- 7<sup>th</sup> Street
- Bridge Street
- Plaza
- Hotsprings Blvd.
- Alamo Street
- Creston Circle
- Grant Street
- Moreno Street
- Sapello Street
- Keen Street

### **LOW PRIORITY ROADS**

- All other streets not mentioned above
- City parking lots
- All calls that come in

# **STORM CLASSIFICATIONS**

Storm classifications are general weather condition guidelines used to identify the level of service to be performed based on the road priority.

- None or minor effect; no precipitation or too light or light for problems.
- Light or localized effect; weather event which creates problems in small areas of short duration.
- Heavy or major effect; covers most of area, moderate intensity, to 12 hour duration.

- Heavy or major effect; covers most of area, heavy over 12 hours, blowing and drifting.
- Severe effect; blizzard or ice storm, over 24 hours.

### **Storm Characteristics**

## Severe Weather Conditions – Classification Class 4 or Class 5

- Snow is above 4" accumulating rapidly.
- Heavy snow showers.
- Wind blowing and drifting above 20mph.
- Temperature sub-zero/cold wave.
- Storm is continuous.
- Road surface is snow packed with ice and drifts.
- Traffic is blocked, stopped or slowly moving
- Visibility is zero to near zero.

# Major Weather Conditions - Classification Class 3 or Class 4

- Snow is 2" to 4".
- Snow showers are continuous with flurries.
- Drizzle and freezing rain, sleet.
- Wind gusts are 10mph or less.
- Temperature is 32 degrees and dropping.
- Road surface has snow and ice.
- Traffic is very slow.
- Visibility is poor.

# Minor Weather Conditions – Classification Class 1 or 2

- Snow is 2" or less.
- Snow showers are spotty and intermittent.
- Wet drizzle.
- No wind to slight breeze.
- Temperature is 25 degrees and above.
- Road surface is wet.
- Traffic is at a steady pace.
- Visibility is normal.

# **City Officials**

Name	Classification	Office Number
Arnold Lopez	Public Works Director	505-454-1401 ext: 1804
Chris Rodarte	Public Works Supervisor	505-454-1401 ext: 1801

Emergency Numbers		
NM State Police	505-425-6771	
Las Vegas Police Department	505-425-7504	
San Miguel County Sheriff's Department	505-425-7589	
Las Vegas Fire Department	505-425-6321	
Alta Vista Regional Hospital	505-426-3500	