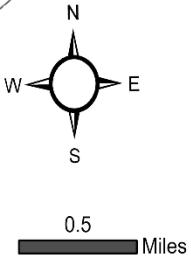
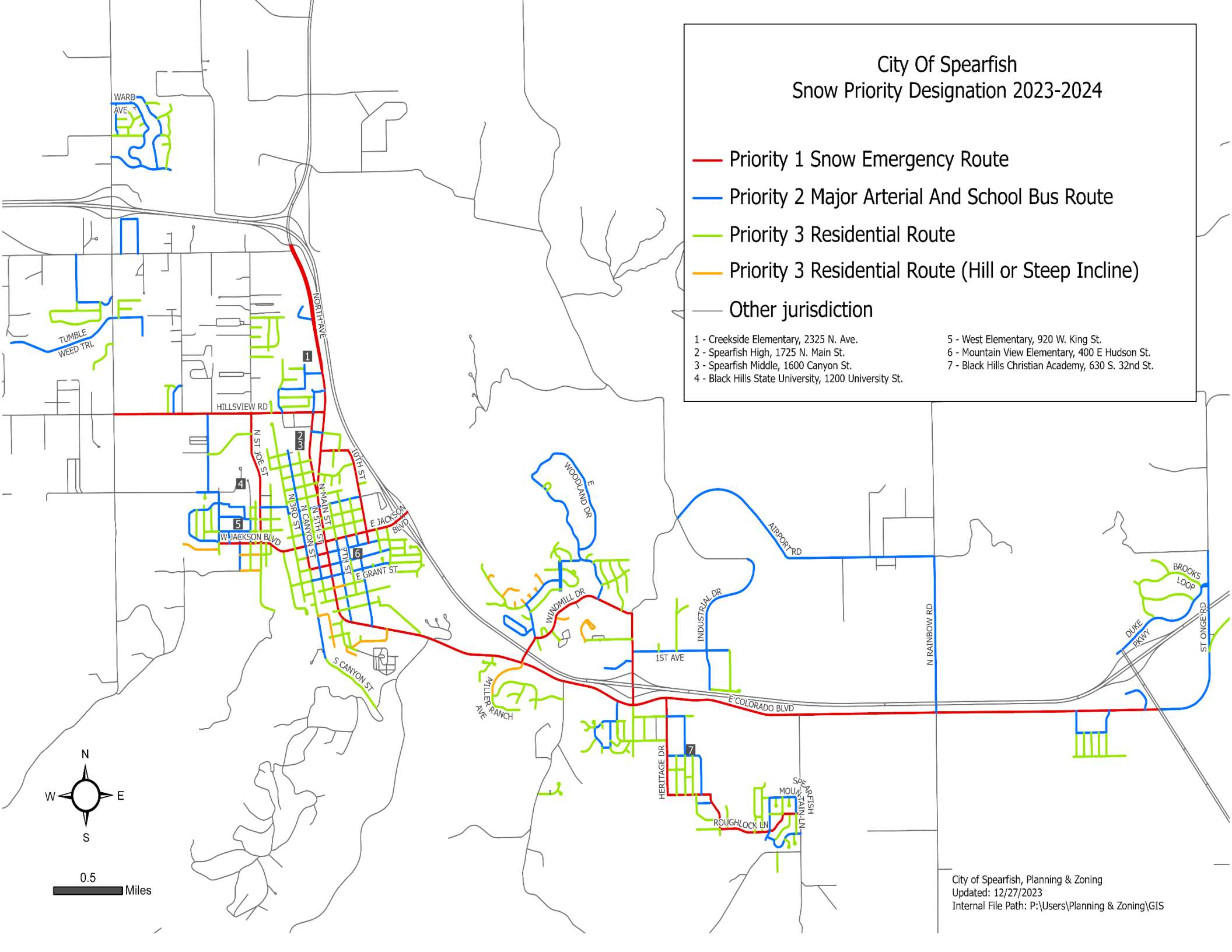


# City Of Spearfish Snow Priority Designation 2023-2024

- Priority 1 Snow Emergency Route
- Priority 2 Major Arterial And School Bus Route
- Priority 3 Residential Route
- Priority 3 Residential Route (Hill or Steep Incline)
- Other jurisdiction

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 - Creekside Elementary, 2325 N. Ave.</li> <li>2 - Spearfish High, 1725 N. Main St.</li> <li>3 - Spearfish Middle, 1600 Canyon St.</li> <li>4 - Black Hills State University, 1200 University St.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5 - West Elementary, 920 W. King St.</li> <li>6 - Mountain View Elementary, 400 E Hudson St.</li> <li>7 - Black Hills Christian Academy, 630 S. 32nd St.</li> </ul> |
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### **PRIORITY 1: EMERGENCY ROUTES**

Streets assigned as snow emergency routes are given Priority 1 designation as they provide a network system for emergency services operations.

### **PRIORITY 2: MAJOR ARTERIAL / SCHOOL ACCESS ZONES**

Streets assigned as major arterials and school access zones are given Priority 2 designation as they provide a network for major transportation routes and access for students, parents, teachers, and school bus operations.

### **PRIORITY 3: RESIDENTIAL ROUTES**

All other streets and residential routes are assigned a Priority 3 designation.

### **WINTER WEATHER OPERATIONS:**

Providing safe travel on emergency, major arterials, and school routes will be the primary goal. Residential streets will be addressed in a timely manner after all Priority 1 & 2 Routes are completed. The City and its contractors will not plow snow from private property. Alleys do not get plowed. The amount of snow, moisture content, and weather conditions during each event will determine the time required to remove snow and the degree to which streets are plowed. City crews may continue to clean and improve street access and street conditions only after winter operations have been completed on all three priority routes.

### **WINDROWS IN FRONT OF DRIVEWAYS:**

- Efforts will be taken to minimize windrows in front of driveways to the extent practical.
- Upon completion of Priority 3 Routes, windrows in front of driveways, created as a result of snow plowing operations, which are impassable by the average passenger vehicle will be removed unless a snow emergency has been declared.
- Special accommodations/requests can be made to the Public Works Department prior to or during an event and will be accommodated to the extent practical, but the timing will be depend on how the request fits in with other snow removal priorities.
- Residents are encouraged to remove snow windrows in front of their driveways with their own efforts, or the use of a contractor, to minimize the demands of City resources.

### **SNOW REMOVAL CONTRACTORS:**

To obtain a list of licensed snow removal contractors, please call the Public Works Department.

### **GARBAGE COLLECTION:**

Garbage collection may be delayed or rescheduled during snow events. During significant snow events and snow emergency events garbage collection route updates will be posted to social media & the City's website.

### **SNOW REMOVAL ACTION PLAN:**

#### **MINOR SNOW / ICE EVENT:**

- Monitor condition of streets at the start of the event.
- Apply deicing agent to bridges, intersections, hills, steep inclines, and/or roadways as needed.
- Plow Priority 1 Routes, 2 Routes, and/or hills and steep inclines as needed.

#### **SIGNIFICANT SNOW EVENT:**

- Plow Priority 1 & 2 Routes first.
- Plow Priority 3 Routes upon completion of Priority 1 & 2 Routes.
- Apply deicing agent as needed.

#### **SNOW EMERGENCY EVENT:**

- Snow Emergency Events may be declared by the City Administrator, or their designee, taking into consideration climatic conditions before, during, and forecasted after the event; moisture content of snow, depth of snow, etc.
- Clearing of windrows in front of driveways will not occur during a Snow Emergency Event.

#### **ADDITIONAL AREAS PLOWED:**

Includes all City owned buildings and sidewalks adjacent to City properties, City parking lots, City recreation trails, well houses, and lift stations. Plowing of these areas utilizes equipment designed for walkways and small areas. Timely plowing of these areas is necessary to provide access to infrastructure and buildings as well as to reduce the City's liability. Plowing and/or deicing may be initiated at these locations during all events and will coincide with street operations.

#### **CITY FACILITIES:**

During inclement weather, every effort is made to ensure that City-owned facilities remain open for as long as is safely possible. On rare occasions, severe weather may necessitate the closure of City facilities. If you plan to visit a City facility during a snowstorm, you may wish to call ahead to confirm the facility is open. For your convenience, frequently dialed phone numbers are listed below. **For information about snow removal and winter road maintenance, please call the Public Works Department.**

Administration: 605-642-1354

**Public Works Dept: 605-642-1333**

Building & Development Dept: 605-642-1335

Finance Office & Utility Billing: 605-642-1325

Police Dept: 605-642-1300

Grace Balloch Memorial Library: 605-642-1330

Recreation Center: 605-722-1430

Fire Dept: 605-642-1313

### **WEATHER-RELATED CLOSURES & CANCELLATIONS:**

The City of Spearfish will use the two types of warnings below during inclement weather for travel advisories and advisories will be communicated via the following means: City website, social media, local media, and/or the emergency broadcast system.

#### **1. NO TRAVEL ALLOWED - Means NO TRAVEL!**

**Any vehicle that is traveling during a NO TRAVEL ALLOWED notice may be ticketed.** Only emergency services and essential personnel on official business should be traveling during this time.

#### **2. NO TRAVEL ADVISORY - This indicates that travel is possible but not advised.**

#### **PARKED VEHICLES:**

Parked vehicles are required to be removed from Priority 1 & 2 Routes during any snowfall. Vehicles must be removed from Priority 3 (Residential) Routes during snow removal operations. Vehicles may be temporarily parked on the boulevard during removal of snow from your street. Vehicles remaining in violation are subject to ticketing and/or towing.

#### **SNOW REMOVAL DO'S:**

- Do clear sidewalks adjacent to your property from ice, snow, and obstructions no later than 48 hours after the end of a snow event. *(Additional snow removal may be needed after plows have passed.)*
- Do clear snow around mailbox approaches.
- Do keep fire hydrants accessible adjacent to your property.

#### **SNOW REMOVAL DON'TS:**

- Do not interfere with or obstruct snow removal operations.
- Do not place snow on streets, boulevards, or public rights-of-way.
- Do not drive through windrows placed in the middle of the street.

*Violations subject to a fine.*

#### **DEICING AGENTS:**

Enhanced deicer agent is applied at the manufacturers recommended rate as needed to streets. The agent used melts faster and at lower temperatures than salt, is red in color making it more visually prominent, is environmentally friendly, and is less corrosive. Frequency and timing of application will be determined by travel conditions, duration of event, drifting, and blowing of snow.