

**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**  
**The Board of County Commissioners**  
**Dolores County**  
**State of Colorado**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PRIVATE PLOWING OF PUBLIC ROADS**

**WHEREAS**, it has come to the attention to the Dolores County Board of County Commissioners that from time to time it is in the interests of public safety, welfare and health that citizens have the right to plow County Roads, especially those County Roads that are otherwise not maintained during winter months by citizens; and,

**WHEREAS**, there are also occasions when ranchers have cattle caught in the high country and they need to retrieve those cattle.

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners has to try and weigh the landowners desire to plow the county road and access property against the rights of other landowners.

**NOW THEREFORE**, in consideration of the above and upon motion duly made and second is adopted the following:

The Dolores County Permit to Plow Dolores County Road Policy

No private individual or corporate body may plow any County Road in Dolores County or any portion of such a road unless and until:

1. The Dolores Road Supervisor has designated a road as suitable for private plowing. In order to accomplish this, when the Road Supervisor submits his budget request to the Board of County Commissioners for the following year he shall also submit a list of any roads deemed suitable for private plowing and at the next regular meeting the Board of County Commissioners shall officially designate such roads; and
2. The individual or corporate entity has obtained a Permit to Plow Dolores County Road a copy of which is attached hereto marked as exhibit "A" and by this reference incorporated herein by:
  - a. Paying the then established permit fee; and,
  - b. Providing to the Board of County Commissioners proof of all insurances required by the permit; and,
  - c. Having fully complied with any other permits previously issued to the proposed permittee by Dolores County; and,
  - d. Agreeing to be bound by the terms and conditions of the permit and signifying the same by executing the Permit to Plow Dolores County Road.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, Dolores County recognizes the special plight of ranchers who in an effort to extend the grazing season are caught by adverse weather with cattle still in the high country. These ranchers may possess historical rights. Any Rancher with cattle in a position that may be in jeopardy by the county not providing winter maintenance to a road may obtain a Permit to Plow Dolores County Road and be exempt from providing the insurance

requirements but is subject to the other requirements. A rancher in possession of such a permit may plow a road that has been designated as suitable for private plowing provided such plowing is for the sole purpose of retrieving cattle.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this resolution is hereby adopted.

Adopted this \_\_ day of June, 2008

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Ernie Williams, Chairman

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LeRoy Gore, Commissioner

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Julie Kibel, Commissioner