

**Southern Ute Indian Tribe
Snow Clearing
Frequently Asked Questions**

When do crews go out?

Driveway clearing crews will begin when snow accumulation is over 5". Dialysis/Individuals with disabilities/Frail Tribal Member snow shoveling will begin when snow accumulation is over 3".

Which SUIT team covers my home and how do I contact them?

Reference the color-coded map or the detailed flyer published in the Drum, Tribal Member Experience, or on the Tribal Housing website. You may also call Tribal Housing at 970-563-4710 to request appropriate contact information.

It snowed, and my driveway has not been plowed, what do I do?

There are 604 total structures served by this program, please be patient as our teams work to assist everyone in the program. If your driveway has not been plowed by 2pm please notify the listed contact for your route. Also, please bear in mind, that as snow accumulation continues throughout the day, there may be instances where additional snow accumulation has occurred after crews have visited your home and may require multiple days to fully work through all routes and snow clearing through the duration of, and following completion of each storm event.

I saw crews working at my neighbor's home but did not stop at my home, why did they skip me?

Dialysis and Frail elders are the first priority. Also, there are several different routes and crews for each, and their schedules may be different. Please allow your appropriate crew time to work their way through their respective routes.

Why aren't they plowing to my propane tank/wood pile/cistern?

Service is to provide primary access in/out; if you would like to request these additional services, submit a request with the SUIT team designated for your home so they can evaluate access and availability to assist.

What if I don't want the service all the time?

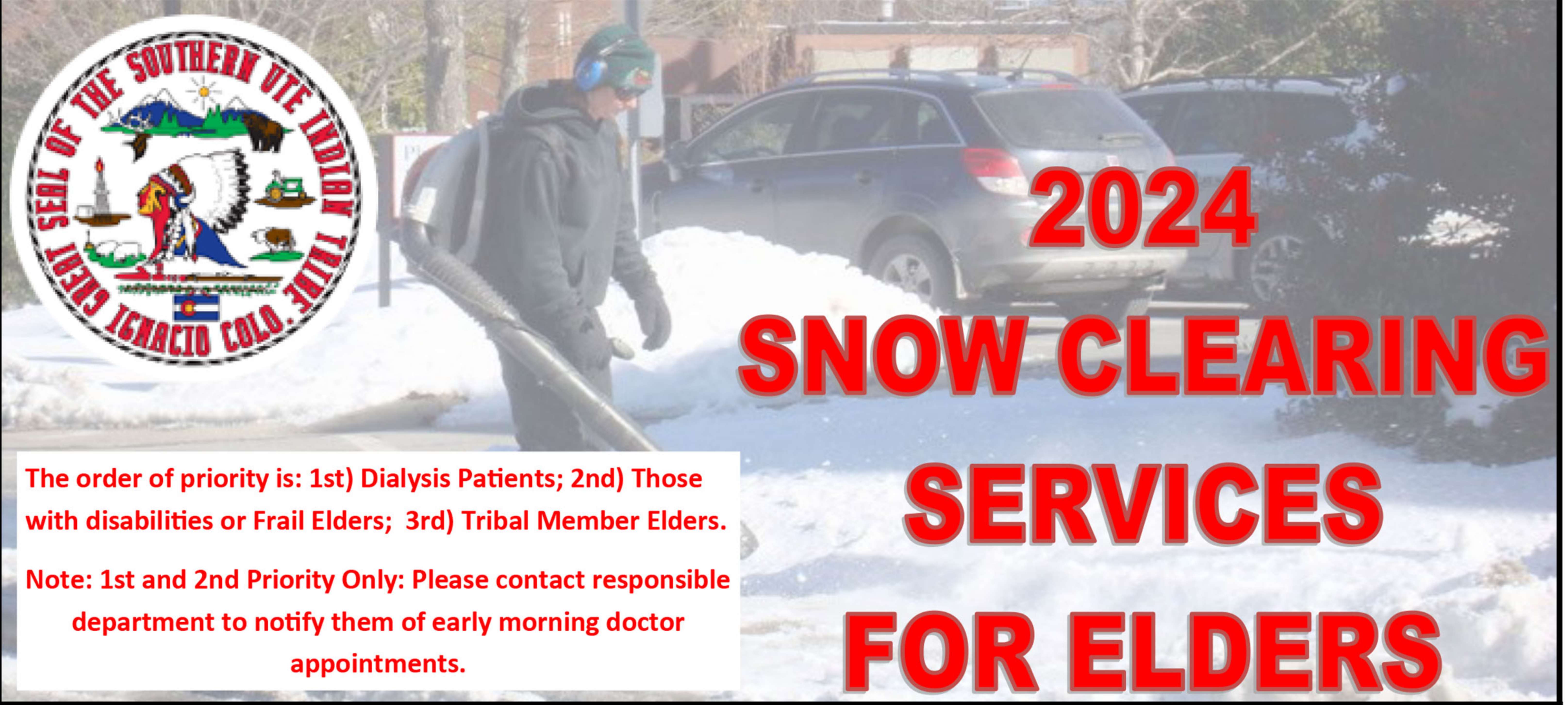
Notify the SUIT team designated for your home. You can note that you will call when needed.

The plow truck ruined my driveway, who will pay for it?

The service provided does its best to clear the snow without pushing up gravel or creating ruts; the homeowner must regularly maintain gravel or dirt driveways. You will not be reimbursed for damages incurred from normal snow clearing.

When will crews remove snow from my roof?

The service is for the elderly and individuals with disabilities and does not occur until snow accumulation is over 12" as a safety precaution to prevent damage to roof structures. Snow clearing will only be performed from the ground through use of a roof rake for staff safety.



2024 SNOW CLEARING SERVICES FOR ELDERS

The order of priority is: 1st) Dialysis Patients; 2nd) Those with disabilities or Frail Elders; 3rd) Tribal Member Elders.

Note: 1st and 2nd Priority Only: Please contact responsible department to notify them of early morning doctor appointments.

General Information:

SNOW PLOWING – FOR SU TRIBAL MEMBERS – DRIVEWAY for HOME ACCESS – SU Campus – Live Stock: The Tribe will make every attempt to plow snow quickly and properly. The order of priority is: 1st) **Dialysis Patients; 2nd) Those with disabilities or Frail Elders; and, 3rd) Tribal Member Elders**. Snow plowing for all other Tribal Members is performed by dividing plow routes into designated areas shown below. Snow plowing will begin when snow accumulation is over five (5) inches. Dialysis/Those with disabilities/Frail Elders snow shoveling will begin when snow accumulation is over three (3) inches. This service is provided to Southern Ute Membership only (No Rentals). Member must be living in residence. Please be patient during heavy snows, the drivers are making every attempt to get to you quickly.

Tribal Housing: (970) 563-4710

Construction Services: (970) 563-0260

Agriculture Division: (970) 563-2900

Forestry Fuels Crew: (970) 563-0270

Motor Pool: (970) 563-0280

Tribal Planning: (970) 563-2280

BIA: (970) 563-9484

SUIHA: (970) 563-4575

Walkways & Roof – Snow Clearing

Snow clearing from walkways will only be done for those with disabilities or Frail Elders.

Snow clearing service from the roof of the home is for those with disabilities and Elders. In general, roof snow will be removed if the snow depth accumulates more than twelve (12) inches or to a level where safety concerns are evident or potential damage to roof or structures may occur. Snow will ONLY be removed from areas where the crew can reach safely from the ground. **If you believe you need this service, please contact Forestry Fuels (970) 563-4780 or the Agriculture Division at (970) 563-0220.**

TRIBAL Hotline: (970) 563-4800

Please call the hotline for inclement weather updates to request snow clearing and/or to report any issues or concerns related to your primary residence.

Please remember to move personal items such as bikes, lawn mowers, water hoses, planter boxes or any other item out of the way, so that they do not get damaged by the snowplows.



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Construction Services Route: (970) 563-0260 - Cedar Point East and West, Cedar Point Townhomes, Chief Shavano Ignacio Peak, HWY 172 South from County Rd 318 to La Boca, East of Pine River, South of Bayfield to La Boca Allison & Arboles area.

Motor Pool Route: 563-0280 - North of Ignacio, West of Pine River Breen & Red Mesa Area, Airport & Weaselskin area.

BIA / Tribal Planning Route: (970) 563-9484 / (970) 563-2283 - **BIA / Tribal Planning does not clear driveways:** Roads include Ute Road, Cedar Point East and West, Ignacio Peak, Howe Dr., Sunset Circle Loop, Pow Wow Circle, Sunset Meadows, Tamuche, Piwood, Shoshone Avenue, Bear Dance Road, & North Ridge. **Please remove all vehicles off of the road to allow the Motor Grader to plow snow.**

Housing Authority Route: (970) 563-4575 - **Snow clearing for those with disabilities, & elders driveways ONLY:** Roadways include Sunset Circle, Senior Center, and Shoshone Avenue

Livestock Snow Clearing: (970) 563-0220 - Plowing snow for livestock feeding is done, *but is low priority.* There is a minimum charge of \$ 35.00/1st hour then \$ 30.00/hour; \$ 35.00 is due in advance. \$. 35/mile one way travel will also be charged.

Forestry Fuels Crew: (970) 563-4780; Agriculture Division: (970) 563-4780 - **WALKWAYS** - (Roof snow at entry only) Shovel walkways for: **1 – Dialysis Patients 2– Those with disabilities/Frail.** **ROOFS:** Roof rake at entry only with accumulation of 12” or more.

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Southern Ute TRIBAL Hotline: (970) 563-4800

Please call the hotline for inclement weather updates and to request snow clearing and/or to report any issues or concerns related to snow clearing at your primary residence.



2024/2025 SNOW CLEARING SERVICES



12"- Roof-Raking

Our drivers do their best to serve you and many others during snow-storms, please be patient as they work through their routes. It is not uncommon for work on routes to extend through the early afternoon.

If you are a Tribal Member Elder who is frail or disabled and need assistance with snow shoveling, please contact:

Tribal Housing - (970) 563-4710

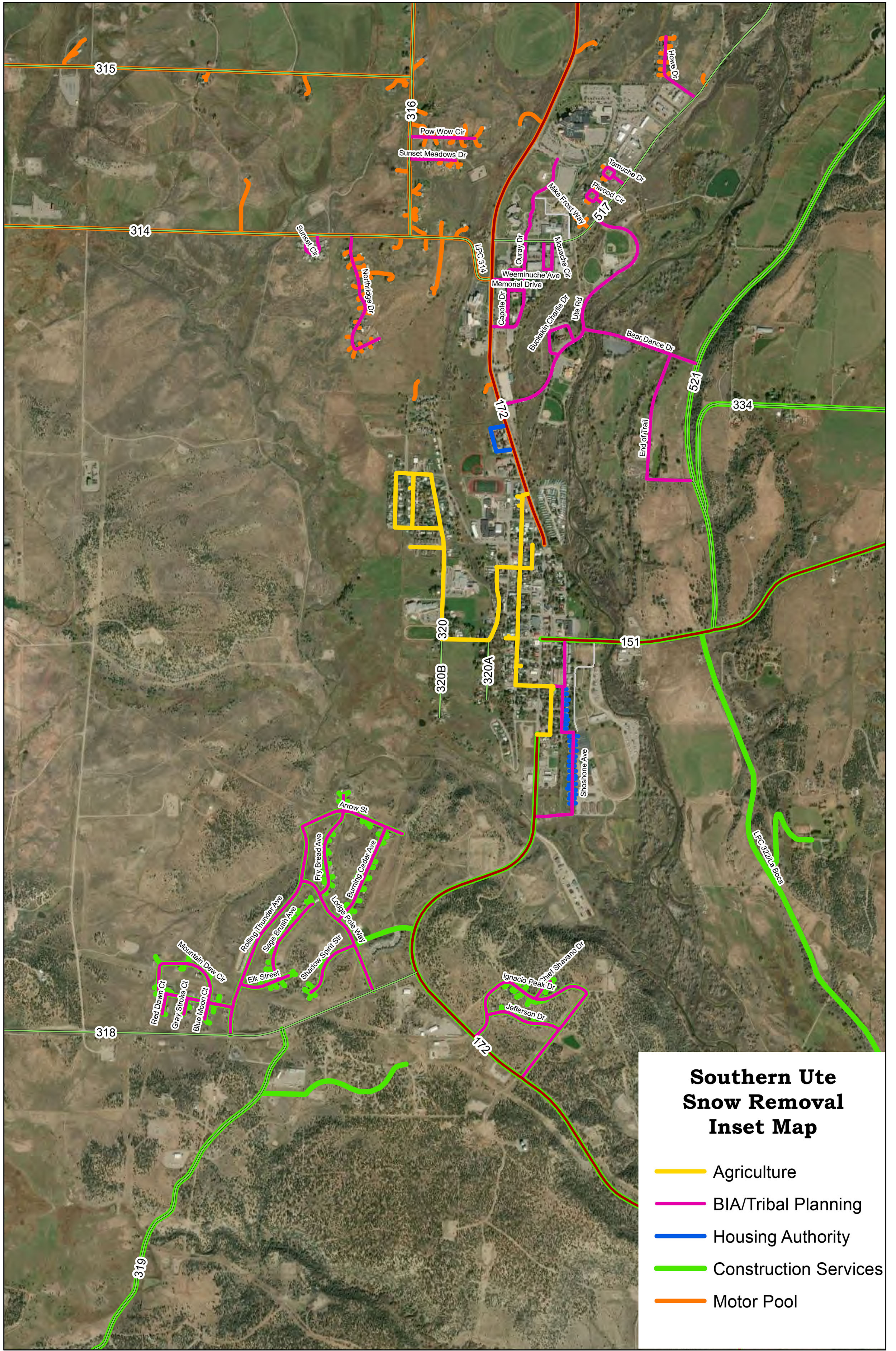


5"- Tribal Members



3"- Dialysis Patients, Frail Elders, & Tribal Members with a Disability

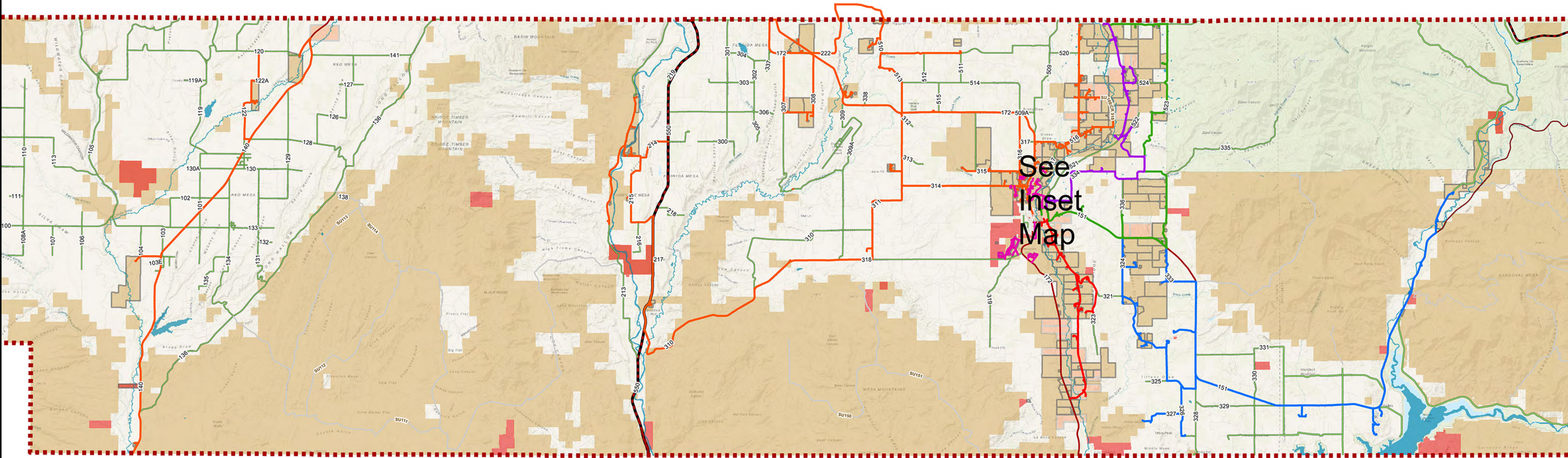
Please call the **Tribal Hotline (970) 563-4800** for information regarding office closures, weather reports, and clinic updates.



Southern Ute Snow Removal Inset Map

- Agriculture
- BIA/Tribal Planning
- Housing Authority
- Construction Services
- Motor Pool

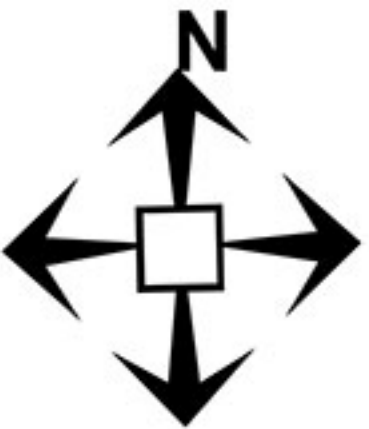
Southern Ute Indian Reservation Snow Removal



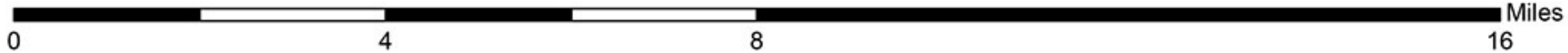
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- Construction Services Snow Routes**
- East Route
 - North East Route
 - North Route
 - South Route
- Motor Pool Snow Roads**
- BIA/Tribal Planning
- Assignments**
- Purchases
 - Allotted Lands
 - Tribal Trust Land
 - SUIT Boundary



1 in = 2 miles



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