

Special Road District #8
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RE: Post Tree Removal Rock

Road District Members,

We hope enjoyed your winter holidays.

If you've lived on our dirt roads for a while, you know that winter brings with it potholes, standing water and ice. We prepared for winter with a fall grading. This year, upon completing tree removal from our R.O.W's (Right of Ways), gravel was placed in those areas most needing it. We budgeted \$30,000 and this was used to put down gravel. There were no preferential locations in this process. Road work is done for the season.

If you haven't already seen it on the website, we posted our five-year plan. The five-year plan shows how we are slowly improving our roadways to allow us, in the future, to add gravel to all 11 miles of road within our district. As funds allow, we are accomplishing this. All roads now have a cleared 60' right-of-way.

In addition, Amber, Sparks and Twin have drainage ditches in place. In 2024 the plan is to have drainage ditches added to remaining roads with spring grading.

Now that fall grading is done, we can assess the next steps of road maintenance we can financially afford. We are exploring the need for a bond or levy to have the roads fully graveled, as stated in our plan.

With all roads now being prepped, the next step is to obtain per-mile estimates for gravel and its placement including compaction.

As always, your suggestions and assistance are most welcome.

Happy New Year!

Special District #8 Board

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