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## **Public Works News Release**

### **Ready for a Snowy Bishop?**

Considering the possibility of snow, February is still the middle of winter in Bishop. In fact, forecasts for the coming weekend suggest it will snow. The City of Bishop Department of Public Works reminds residents and visitors to be prepared for snow on city streets and sidewalks.

Use snow tires or chains on Bishop streets when they are required on Bishop area highways. Just as for state highways, when Bishop streets are slippery and covered with snow, vehicles should use snow tires or chains. A good guideline to determine if snow tires or chains should be used on streets in the City of Bishop is if Caltrans requires them on state highways in the Bishop area. Snow tire and chain needs for streets and alleys west of Main Street should follow Caltrans requirements for West Line Street (Highway 168). Snow tire and chain needs for streets and alleys east of Main Street should follow Caltrans requirements for Main Street (Highway 395). Chain requirements for state highways are available from Caltrans included by dialing 511 from any phone. Since both Highway 168 and Highway 395 are long routes, care is needed to ensure the chain requirements for the portions of those highways in Bishop are noted.

Residents and businesses are also reminded to clear snow from public sidewalks at their homes or businesses, especially in areas that stay shaded this time of year. If the snow is not cleared immediately, it can partially melt, then freeze and remain slippery for a long time. State law and city policy makes the maintenance of sidewalks, including snow removal, the responsibility of the adjacent property.

Please help keep Bishop as safe and convenient as possible when it snows. Use snow tires or chains as appropriate when driving on city streets and immediately clear snow from sidewalks at your home or business. Your assistance is appreciated.

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