

Hamilton Creek Metropolitan District

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FOREST MAINTENANCE Work is currently in progress on the fire mitigation forest cutting around the water tank area. A portion of the cost of this work is covered by a grant. Fire mitigation cutting is based on the removal of all dead and live lodgepole trees to create a fire break and minimize the affect of any forest fire on the water supply of the District. The type of removal also helps in the regeneration of mixed species of trees in the area.

Some of the trees removed will be recycled through other uses of the wood. The smaller trees are in burn piles and once conditions are favorable, there will be a controlled burn of the piles. How the piles are constructed and the burn method utilized is controlled through permitting with the fire district. The burning is part of the contract with A Cut Above Forestry for the work and they have trained personnel who will be monitoring that portion of the job. The burning is a cost savings for the total project.

Snow Removal Helton Backhoe Services, Inc will again be doing the snow removal during the 2009/2010 season. Mark Helton and his father Bob Helton have been involved in snow removal in Summit County for over 20 years. With two long-term employees, Nick and Bob, they will utilize two loaders, a sander and a plow truck for Hamilton Creek.

The plowing standards will be the same as prior years including access plowing of your driveway if requested. The driveway plowing will be based on the list from last year updated with any recent requests.

Owners are reminded that driveway boundaries, objects and landscape areas should be marked for the snow removal. Marking of hidden objects is necessary to minimize damage.

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WATER METER REPLACEMENT. The reading equipment for the new electronic water meter system has been installed. The final testing should be completed in the next few weeks and installation of the meters will begin later in December. **THE \$300 WATER METER REPLACEMENT FEE IS INCLUDED ON THIS BILLING.** An email notification will be sent once the replacement schedule has been determined. Owners will have various options concerning the scheduling. Normally, the meter replacement should take about 15 minutes.

The next **Homeowners Association** Board of Directors meeting will be February 18, 2010 at 7 PM at 2191 HamiltonCreek Road. The next **Metro District** Board of Directors meeting is December 2, 2009 at 2 PM in the Blue River Room of the Silverthorne Library.