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Arapahoe County government offices to open at 10 a.m. Thursday

Arapahoe County government offices will be on a 2-hour delayed schedule Thursday with offices opening at 10 a.m.

All County employees, with the exception of emergency and essential personnel, (Sheriff's Office, Road and Bridge crews, etc.) should report to work by 10 a.m. Emergency and essential personnel should report to work as scheduled.

Road conditions are currently icy and some roads may be icy during the morning commute. Citizens are asked to drive slow and give yourself plenty of time to arrive to work safely. If you are experiencing a life-threatening emergency, please call 9-1-1. For residents who live within the Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office service area and have a non-emergency request, contact the Sheriff's Office dispatch at 303-795-4511.

Arapahoe County is responsible for plowing roads in unincorporated Arapahoe County and Road and Bridge and Sheriff's Office crews are working round-the-clock to help keep roads clear. The County has 18 snow plows and equipment covering five routes on the western portion of the county and five routes on the eastern portion of the county.

County roads are plowed on a priority basis with major arterials, (generally the one-mile grid streets) and access to emergency services, such as fire stations and medical facilities as Priority One.

Priority Two streets include minor arterials, major collector streets and access to schools, business areas, grocery stores and services stations are included in this category. Gravel roads makeup the Priority Two system in the eastern portion of the County.

Non-priority roadways include local, residential and other streets not specifically identified in the priority system.

Arapahoe County will post updates on government building closures or delays on the County's web site at www.co.arapahoe.co.us and through the local television news stations and 850 KOA a.m.

For more information about the County's snow removal plan or for additional updates, visit the What's New section of the County's web site at www.co.arapahoe.co.us. Citizens with questions regarding snow removal in their area also can call 720-874-7623 (ROAD).

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