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Avoid the “Second Shovel”

Lansing, Mich. – While the official start of winter is still a month away, many parts of the state are feeling the full effects of winter weather. The County Road Association of Michigan released an infographic to help Michigan residents avoid the frustration of the “second shovel.”

“Shoveling snow once after a storm is a tiring process,” said Denise Donohue, director of the County Road Association of Michigan. “Having to shovel a driveway a second time after the snowplow passes is just plain frustrating.”

The County Road Association offers a few simple guidelines to help people avoid that frustration. By clearing an area before your driveway large enough for the snow coming off the blade to be deposited (to the right as you face your home or business), you can avoid the “second shovel.”

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“It’s simple physics”, Donohue said. “If homeowners don’t make a place for the snow to go, the momentum of the passing plow is going to throw snow right back in the driveway. A little early planning on where to shovel, can save residents both time and frustration.”

The County Road Association of Michigan represents the interests of Michigan’s 83 county road agencies that collectively maintain more than 75 percent of Michigan roads -- more than 90,000 miles and the fourth-largest local road system in the nation.

Editor’s Note: The infographic is the same with three different options for you to choose from based on space and text choice. Please contact the County Road Association if you require a high resolution EPS version of the graphic.

Link 1: <http://www.micountyroads.org/pdf/Shovel%20A.pdf>

Link 2: <http://www.micountyroads.org/pdf/Shovel%20B.pdf>

Link 3: (graphic only) <http://www.micountyroads.org/pdf/Shovel%20c.pdf>

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