

News Release

Help Keep our Road Right of Way Safe

The residents and landowners of Clearwater County are hereby reminded that unauthorized use of county highway right of ways is not allowed. Clearwater County has expended considerable money in obtaining right of ways and reconstructing various County State Aid Highways for the benefit of the traveling public. The restrictions on right of way uses are the law and are being done for the safety of the public, to maintain our highway ditches, and to keep our right of ways in good working order.

The Clearwater County Highway Department intends to maintain these highway right of ways in permanent grass vegetation in an effort to minimize soil erosion and sedimentation. Your cooperation in maintaining the county highway ditches and right of ways is greatly appreciated. In accordance with State Statutes and County Ordinances it is a misdemeanor to:

- Place snow on the highway or plow snow across the highway
- Move or remove an address sign, street sign, or other highway signs
- Erect a fence or barrier of any kind
- Construct or place landscaping retaining walls, buildings, boulders, posts, trees, shrubbery, or other obstacles
- Construct a driveway approach without County approval
- Install a mail box support that does not meet crash standards
- Obstruct any ditch or culvert
- Plow, ditch, or perform any other work without County approval
- Place any advertisements without County approval

Performing any of the above listed actions could make you liable for civil damages.

For further information or to obtain a permit application to work in our right of ways, please visit the Clearwater County web site at <http://www.co.clearwater.mn.us/>, then go to the Highway Department page or you may contact the County Highway Department at (218) 694-6132.