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Subject: RE: Pine Pass Road Conditions

Hi Lori,

No worries about being busy. I can only imagine how hard it would be to run a city and a busy schedule during the COVID 19 Pandemic!

I am glad you and Kassidi were able to connect. She is correct, the contract (current and previous) does allow for compact snow within limits and I know that the travelling public doesn't always like it because it can make for a tougher drive.

I will attach a link to our contract documents the current contract (2019-2029) as well as our previous contract (2004-2019) but unfortunately I don't have the contracts before 2004 online. However, I am happy to ask the archives to bring them up if you'd still like them, it just may take some time.

Current Contract (2019-2029) and our previous contract (2004-2019)

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/transportation/transportation-infrastructure/contracting-to-transportation/highway-bridge-maintenance/highway-maintenance/agreement>

For the purposes of reading the contract, the pine pass, as is all of Hwy 97, is a class A highway maintenance class which is our highest standard of winter maintenance province-wide. The maintenance standard was increased from a class B highway to a class A highway in 2014.

The part about compact is here for your ease:

PM3.01.2-4

Respond to allowable Compact conditions on Travelled Lanes at all times as follows:

	Response by Highway Classification				
	A	B	C	D	E
a) Maintain thickness of the Compact surface no greater than 40 mm	48 h	48 h	48 h	3 d	n/a
b) Remove pot-hole in Compact exceeding 25 mm depth and averaging more than 1 per 25 metres of Highway	24 h	24 h	48 h	7 d	n/a
c) Remove rutting in Compact exceeding 25 mm in depth	72 h	72 h	4 d	7 d	n/a

Notes:

1) Compact conditions are allowed on gravel or Surface Treatment on gravel Highways or when the pavement temperature is colder than -9°C on Class A, B or C Highways.

If you click on the above link, then on Schedule 1 Maintenance Specifications and go to section 3, you will find all of our general winter maintenance standards.

The previous maintenance contract is located at the bottom of the initial page, and if you click on section 21 (Section 3) you will see the winter specifications.

I will leave this with you to read and I'm happy to discuss further at your convenience.

Sincerely,
Katherine Styba