



## ***Road Maintenance Update***

***July 9, 2022***

### ***Recent Heavy Rains***

On the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday weekend there were heavy cloudburst rains in the region that created a lot of erosion washouts on the surfaces and edges of many Ranch roads. Members of the Road Committee inspected all Ranch roads for any emergency repair (impassability, excess driving danger) and found no need to immediately dispatch contractors to repair. All damage was taken notice of and will be repaired along with all other regular fall maintenance, except that a couple significant roadside embankment erosion control repairs involving rip-rap rock placement will be accomplished next week along with the repairs in the second bullet below.

### ***Other Currently Scheduled or Completed Road Work***

- At the most recent Board meeting the Board approved expenditures for the Road Committee to execute the list of prioritized repairs as indicated in the [June 21, 2022 Road report](#). The repair items in the Report that were approved were all yellow and red highlighted items, as well as Division 5, Item #2 on page 4 in the Report. During the actual performance of the work there may be slight adjustments to specifically accurately deal with the items.
- Most truck loads of rip-rap erosion control rock have already been dumped in strategic locations where needed (per items in the Report). Beginning the week of July 11 all repair items related to the rip-rap placement will start to be performed, along with other repair items that might be near the rip-rap locations and involving the same type of machinery.
- The overall 2022-2023 HOA budget is scheduled for (61) loads of replenishment and other gravel to be placed around the Ranch; the [Report](#) itemizes (57) of them. As of July 8, 2022 we have marked for (26) loads to be placed, in Divisions 5,3,7 and 8 so far. So if you see pairs of stakes – one with a green flag and the other with red – there will be replenishment gravel spread between that pair of markers and another pair some hundreds of feet further down the road. Gravel placement is scheduled to start during the week of July 11.
- The first seasonal major road weed control spraying was completed in late June. The second spray – a touch-up spray for missed and newly emerging weeds – was ordered on July 4, 2022 and is expected to be completed in the next week or so. This second spraying will especially target the later emerging Russian thistle (looks like tumbleweed) on many roads, which emerged later than normal this year.
- A land owner has once again volunteered to accomplish the duty of trimming many trees that encroach Ranch roads in spots... some trees have already been trimmed and more will be through to fall. We are so very appreciative of his volunteer efforts!
- A group of land owners have volunteered to replace a burned out gate post and rehang the gate at the entrance to Division 3 at Wagon Wheel road... this is another volunteer effort we are also thankful for!