

## Important Retreat Roads and Mitigation Information

April 2026 – Jim Boyd, Roads Committee Chair

- **Kevin Zagorda Assumes Responsibility for Retreat Mitigation:** Jim has been dividing his time between road maintenance, wildfire mitigation efforts and flood recovery efforts. This past winter Kevin Zagorda agreed to step-up and take over the coordination of Retreat mitigation efforts, allowing Jim to return his attention to primarily road maintenance. See Kevin's article, below, regarding upcoming volunteer workdays, beginning in April, and a schedule for roadside slash chipping, also beginning in April.
- **April Road Grading:** Beginning April 6, your road team (Rock, Mark and Jim) will begin watering and grading Retreat roads. Monday through Friday, we will be watering sections of roads, grading them, watering them some more and compacting them. We will also be putting down recycled asphalt on the worst sections of road. Please be patient when you encounter your team members and road equipment. Expect delays. Do not attempt to pass equipment until you make eye contact and the operator signals you to pass. If you meet oncoming equipment, if possible, pull into a driveway or completely off the road to allow equipment to pass. Also, PLEASE drive slowly on freshly graded roads.
- **Please Do Not Park Vehicles Along Shoulders/Road Right-of-way:** As we grade, we try to pull material back into the middle of the road from the shoulders. Vehicles parked alongside roads interfere with this process and with snow plowing efforts (if we ever get more snow) and create a hazard for landowner vehicles and Retreat equipment. It's also an eyesore for your neighbors.
- **Retreat Slash Yard and Slash Trailers:** Please use the "new" slash yard, below the equipment barn. Do not put slash in the "old" area beside the barn. Remember, slash must be 7-inches in diameter or less. No logs, lumber, pine needles, or trash. We have two small trailers that you are welcome to use for hauling your slash to the slash yard. They are not registered/licensed and can only be used on private Retreat roads. They have both been parked next to the equipment barn but will be relocated to the lower slash yard later this spring. First come first served. Use at your own risk. You need a 2-inch hitch ball for these trailers. The large dump trailer is also available for use on your property, but it can only be towed to/from by a member of the roads crew and must be reserved ahead of time. Contact Kevin Zagorda to schedule the dump trailer.
- **Vehicle stickers, Retreat Roads are Private:** We all contribute money to maintain the Retreat roads. Dunraven Glade Road is the only public road in the Retreat. All other roads in the Retreat are private. We will be adding new signage to communicate this better to those who do not own property in the Retreat. Please make sure you have a Retreat Landowner sticker on all your vehicles windshield. Restricting access on Retreat roads is in everyone's best interests.
- **LCOEM Grant for Mitigation Efforts:** Last year we spent over \$10,000 on chipping slash. This money comes out of our road maintenance budget. That amount is expected to increase this year, as more residents take wildfire mitigation seriously and clear more slash. Jim has applied for another grant through the Larimer County Office of Emergency Management that could subsidize those expenses and allow us to keep more of that money for road maintenance. Stay tuned for more information about whether we are selected for this grant.

- Black Creek Drive Low Water Crossings: Last fall the Retreat Board approved installing 36-inch diameter culverts in two of the low water crossings along Black Creek Drive. One was placed in the crossing at Corner Court and Black Creek Drive and the other was placed in the crossing at the top of Black Creek Drive, just below Copper Hill Road. Additional fill, donated by landowners, has been added to the culverts to even out and widen the approaches to the crossings. The board will determine whether to install culverts in the remaining four low water crossings. Tax deductible contributions to help subsidize this effort can be made by sending a check to Glen Haven Flood Relief, Inc. at P O Box 271, Glen Haven, CO 80532. Please put "Retreat Roads" in the memo field on your check.
- Jim's Contact Information: If you have any questions or concerns about any of the above or about other Retreat-related road topics, please feel free to email or text Jim at: [Jim1371@outlook.com](mailto:Jim1371@outlook.com) cell: 970-481-4279. Thanks for being great neighbors.