

Yosemite Alpine Community Services District
POB 31, Fish Camp, CA 93623

October 2024 - Winterizing Your Home

Fall has arrived and the temperatures are dropping.... Morning temp was 34 F on Oct. 17, 2024.

When you leave your home please turn off the water supply to your home at your turn off valve and drain your pipes. The damage to pipes occurs when the pipes freeze, expand with the ice, thaw and then leak thru the damaged pipes.

Turn the thermostat on your heater to the temperature listed in your homeowners' insurance policy. This will help to protect your pipes from freezing and keep your refrigerator cycling.

Stage snow shovels outside each of your doors. Carry a shovel in your vehicle to allow you to dig into your front door.

Carry snow chains in all vehicles coming to your property from Nov. 1 thru April to use when advised by Cal Trans. You may need to put on chains prior to Nov. 1 if there is enough snow on the ground. The Cal Trans crews work hard to clear Highway 41 and we need to be ready to travel safely. Please check for road conditions by calling **1.800.427.7623** or accessing www.roads.dot.ca.gov.

Some property owners utilize pipe wrap for the pipes in their basements. It is time to plug in and turn on your heating tapes.

Time to turn on the heater for your satellite dish. The thermostat on the heater will activate when necessary. This will help you get clear reception after a storm or a freeze.

Firewood should be stacked and covered to keep it dry so it will burn efficiently and not smoke.

Schedule a chimney cleaning of your flue to remove creosote and prevent possible fires.

Vegetation should be cleared along the roadway and along your driveway leading to your home. This will allow for easier access for the snow blowers when they are out and about.

Fish Camp has NO on street parking in certain areas from November 1 to May 1 to allow access for snow removal equipment. There are No Parking signs posted around town, including along Forest Drive, Silvertip Lane, Black Pine Way, and Fish Camp Lane.

Please do not park on the roadways during snow removal periods. This will cause the crews to drive around your vehicle thus encapsulating it with snow. When you remove snow from your vehicle please put the snow on your property. No snow should be dumped onto the roadways. This will cause extra expense to the district for the snow removal crews to make another trip to clear your dumped snow.

Vacation rental owners please provide this info to your guests, especially about carrying chains in their vehicles.

Let's all prepare to enjoy this wonderful season that will soon be upon us.