

TO: _____

Address: _____

From: _____ Township Supervisors/ _____ County

RE: Farming the Right of Way

The _____ Township Board of Supervisors want you to know it is against the law SDCL 31-32-7 to farm the right of way on township roads. Doing so creates a liability for the township, the landowner and the person doing the farming if it is someone other than the landowner. Therefore if anyone in _____ Township does farm the right of way, the board of supervisors have the right to destroy the crop and restore the road to its original condition and send you the bill. There have already been court cases on this issue and the court has ruled in favor of the township.

Along that same line, South Dakota Codified Law says it is the land owners' responsibility to remove weeds, trees, and brush, 31-31-2 or the township can have this done and assess it to your property taxes. SDCL 31-32-3.1 states that it is against the law to dump any material or cargo in the right of way and that includes rocks and other debris.

Please help us to keep our township roads in good shape and make them safe for the motoring public. Doing so will mean we will have to spend less tax dollars dealing with violations of these sections of code.

If you have suggestions or questions, please feel free ton contact one of the supervisors listed below.

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

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