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PRESS RELEASE

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Fairfield County Engineer, Jeremiah Upp reminds residents that unstable mailbox supports along county roads should be replaced or repaired before the ground completely freezes. Standard mailbox supports are a 4" x 4" timber post, a 4-1/2" round timber post, or a maximum 2" I.D. standard strength steel pipe (2-3/8" O.D.). All supports for rural mailboxes must be of the breakaway type. The face of the mailbox shall be a minimum of 30" from the edge of pavement.

Upp makes the following suggestions to protect private property from salt, slush, stones, and other materials thrown by the snowplow blade:

- 1. Vehicles or equipment should be parked at least 30 feet back from the edge of pavement.
- 2. Valuable plantings should be removed from the road right-of-way.
- 3. Bags of garbage should not be placed by the edge of pavement.
- 4. Snow should not be pushed out of driveways into the highway.

Snowplow blades can be damaged by striking the edge of concrete driveways. Concrete should not extend into the right-of-way on a county road without prior permit approval of the County Engineer.

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