

Park County, WY & US Postal Service Reducing Mailboxes as Roadside Hazards

Problem Statement:

Improper installation of mailboxes are a common occurrence along rural county roads. Most mailboxes are installed by a local landowner with three considerations in mind: ease of access; ability to withstand Mother Nature, and the county maintenance crews; and to aesthetically blend with the surroundings. These criteria can allow mailboxes to become significant roadside hazards.

Solution:

The county developed a policy on installation of mailboxes along county roads. A landowner must obtain a right-of-way permit before installing or modifying a mailbox. The county engineer, the road & bridge foreman, and the postmaster review permits. The county engineer and the postmaster conduct weekly field inspections.

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