

**Minutes**  
**Santa Fe Trail Ranch POA**  
**Road Committee Meeting**  
**Dec 10, 2011, 9:00 A.M.**  
**Lazaro Martinez Station, SFTR**

**Committee Members Present:**

John Noard – Committee Chairman  
John Parker  
Val Allred  
Bob Scott  
Rick Kinder

**Guests Present:**

RC Ghormley  
Francis Purswell-Montoya

**New Road Contract**

New contract approved by Board. Contract will be recorded with the County Recorder.

Contract is on a 'mileage basis' or 'by the mile'. Discussion of how to accurately measure mileage on roads. General agreement that with current maps, GPS, etc. that determining accurate mileage should not be a problem

**Culverts Survey**

Survey completed and handed out by John Noard. Found 26 blocked culverts of which 8-10 may need to be completely replaced. Cost per culvert replacement estimated at \$1000.

Work (before snows) started on Elk Park & Oak Park. Some 10-12 culverts opened up.

John Noard will try jacking up some 'squashed' culverts where cars have rolled over the ends.

Noard noted a flagging color scheme for culvert stakes: 4 – Orange 3- Yellow 2-Green 1- White.

Two options for cleaning out semi-blocked culverts:

- 1) digging out by hand,
- 2) Contracting with a 'Roto Cleaner' Co. at cost of \$125/hour.

Noted that indicated culverts on master map will be identified with the distance from nearest intersection as was done with the survey.

### **Snow Plowing**

During last snow, plowing could have gotten an earlier start. John Noard will coordinate this improvement for next snowfall. Suggested that different plans are needed for different snow conditions.

Noted that Donna is uncomfortable working alone during heavy snow falls which is why graders go out in tandem. Suggestion made that an extra driver/operator be available when snowfall is heavy.

John Noard handed out a plan for heavy snowfall. Asked for suggestions for improvement from members present.

Note that new radios provided by Metro are working well.

John Noard asked that anyone doing their own plowing on roads be careful not to pick up road dirt while doing so. Keep your blade slightly above the top of the snow.

### **More Money??**

Question raised about asking for a dues increase for more road work. General consensus that now is not the time due to: a)bad economic times b)decision on bridge work needs to be settled and c)need to see if we can improve value of current dollars being spent.

### **Schedule**

About \$5,000 left in budget. No further work planned at this time.

Suggested that plan be done at beginning/end of each month.

Confirmed that Board had confirmed John Noard as Committee Chair and Liaison with Bob Scott as back up Liaison.

Next Road Committee meeting is scheduled for Dec. 30, 2011 at 9:00 AM at the Fire Station.