Resolution No. R-015- 140

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF DOUGLAS, COLORADO

RESOLUTION DISCONTINUING THE PRACTICE OF SEASONAL ROAD CLOSURES ON COUNTY ROAD 22 (DAKAN ROAD), BUT APPROVING THE TEMPORARY GATED ROAD CLOSURE OF DAKAN ROAD FOR MAINTENANCE PURPOSES BETWEEN DECEMBER 16, 2015 AND MARCH 15, 2016.

WHEREAS, the Rock Estates Property Owners Association has requested the ongoing seasonal road closure for Dakan Road (County Road 22) from December 1 until April 1 due to the seasonal closure of public forest access and due safety concerns; and

WHEREAS, Dakan Road is a County-owned roadway; and

WHEREAS, other citizens have objected to the seasonal closure of Dakan Road as exceeding the County's authority and denying public access to public lands; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners (the "Board") has limited authority to temporarily prohibit the operation of vehicles upon highways within its jurisdiction, pursuant to section 42-4-106(1), C.R.S. for a period not to exceed 90 days in any one calendar year; and

WHEREAS, the Board intends to act within its authority and cannot condone the annual seasonal road closure for Dakan Road for reasons outside the designated statutory purposes and time frames for closing a county road; and

WHEREAS, the Board agrees that the temporary road closure of Dakan Road by allowing a gate prohibiting non-local public traffic will be needed for 90 days for road maintenance, beginning on December 16, 2015 through March 15, 2016, unless otherwise terminated sooner by further resolution of the Board; and

WHEREAS, as part of the necessary maintenance on Dakan Road, Douglas County Public Works Engineering Director is directed to approve and install sufficient signage to both restrict certain activities and inform the public as much as is reasonable including but not limited to: prohibiting parking in appropriate areas along public roads and informing the public regarding the lack of public parking, prohibiting vehicle trailers beyond a specified point on the road for certain time periods, informing the public regarding known or likely road hazards and extremely limited road maintenance, if any, to inform the public of the lack of public vehicular forest access and parking, and to direct any additional maintenance deemed necessary and appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the Board further directs County staff to continue to work with the National Forest Service and, if also appropriate, private property owners, to identify a location to construct a public parking area for use by the public in the future, as soon as is both reasonable and practical, now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF DOUGLAS, STATE OF COLORADO, automatic seasonal closures of Dakan Road are hereby discontinued however Dakan Road shall be temporarily gated and closed to the general public between December 16, 2015 and March 15, 2016 for necessary maintenance.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that County staff is directed to implement and install an appropriate signage plan to reasonably address local safety concerns.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that County staff is to work diligently to try to identify a future public parking area and plan for the area.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 15thday of December, 2015, in Castle Rock, Douglas County, Colorado.

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF DOUGLAS, COLORADO

BY:

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CODIE BRENNER, Deputy Clerk