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We are expecting snow in the local mountains later this week. We want to remind all the visitors and residents of a few things when traveling. So listen up! Tips are in the thread!



Do not ask us if you should bring chains. BRING THEM. It’s winter, and weather can be a little difficult. If we must issue chain control, you will be prepared since you have them. If you don’t have chains, and chain control is in effect, you’ll have to change your day plans.



Turn on your headlights when driving in the mountains. It helps other drivers see you and you see other drivers. Also, if you see more than 5 cars behind you, pull over into the nearest turnout to let people pass.



Slow. Down. We want you to get to your destination safely. Leave early, allow enough time and drive slow. Icy road conditions can occur, so its best to take your time while driving. Speeding will put you and other drivers at risk, simply because you are in a hurry.

Do not trespass onto private property. CHP is in close contact with property owners who have been advised to contact Law Enforcement immediately of trespassers. The CHP and San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department will respond in haste to cite or possibly arrest trespassers.

Do not leave your trash, keep our mountains clean! Take what you bring with you or find a trash can and throw it away. Law enforcement will issue you a citation and make you pick up your trash. We don't like to see the cities or beaches trashed, so clean up after yourselves.

Do not park in the roadway or no parking zones. Parking citations will be issued. If you leave your vehicle parked in a roadway, your vehicle will be towed, or pushed by emergency personnel if there is exigency to render aid.

Do not pull over into turnouts to play in the snow. Only play in designated snow play areas. A lot of these turnouts are for emergency situations or where we are setting up chain control. They also assist emergency personnel in getting around traffic to a scene.

Also, do not try to pass and go around a snow plow. You will not win this battle. You are endangering the lives of our workers, and yourself. We are plowing the roads to help you. So, be patient so we can do our jobs and get you to your destination safely.

Anytime you make a trip to the mountains or remote desert areas always bring the following: food, water, cell phone with charger, warm clothing, emergency blankets and first aid kit. Another idea, have a full tank of gas before you head up the mountain.

If you follow the rules and stay safe, we just know you will have a fabulous trip!! Be safe and enjoy!

Also, one more suggestion - use https://t.co/MdsFDAu92p to look at road conditions BEFORE you start your journey. It can really help you plan your trip :)