

Dear Tollgate Friends,

I'm sure everyone is aware Central Oregon (including Sisters) will be experiencing a total solar eclipse on Tuesday morning August 21st, including the extra 220 – 300,000 "guests" coming. Our emergency management agencies (Sheriff, Fire, USFS, ODOT) have been seriously preparing for this "human tsunami" for over a year.

Tollgate Staff, Board members and many residents have attended various meetings conducted by these agencies. We are assured that the majority of our "guests" will be arriving via Hwy 97, 26 and of course, our own Hwy 20. We will be posting a notice on the Tollgate Road stating we are a private residential area, there is no outlet nor thru traffic and access is restricted to residents and guests. Our notice will be put in place Thursday August 17th.

Still we feel, as the 21st approaches, there will likely be some "wayward guests" wanting to enter Tollgate to end the pain of sitting in traffic by finding a short cut or just plop and camp in our community. Authorities do not know of any specific threat to Tollgate.

The Board has planned a few preventative measures to help insure that our community is not seriously disrupted by this event. **You must have a Tollgate vehicle mirror/window pass to be allowed access to Tollgate.**

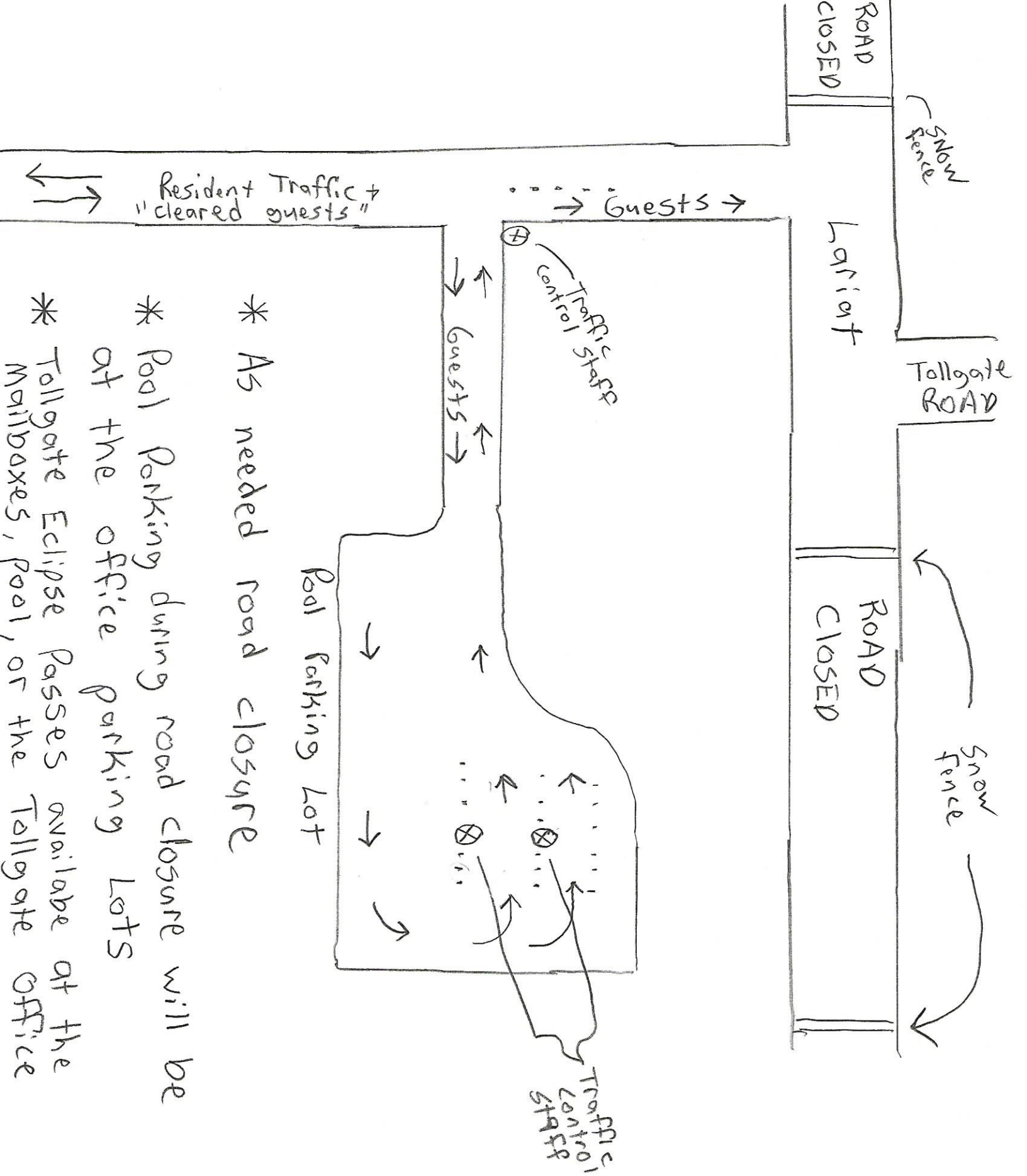
- 1 **A vehicle mirror/window pass will be available** for pick in the mail box area, pool area or Tollgate office before next Wednesday the 16th. This will expedite your vehicle (and guests' vehicles) entering and passing the Tollgate monitors quickly. Please pick up only as many passes as you and your guests may need.
- 2 A plan to monitor vehicles entering Tollgate is being formulated. A couple of roadways may be temporarily closed with a new traffic pattern – if needed.
- 3 People in vehicles entering Tollgate who can clearly state the address and name of the resident they are visiting will be quickly issued a window pass and be sent in.

Therefore, for TPOA to implement this plan, there is an appeal for some volunteer residents to join a team of neighbors to chat with those drivers entering Tollgate, Saturday evening thru Monday evening.

We would also like to know if any of our residence have a medical or emergency response background and would be willing to assist us if needed.

Note: We have no law enforcement power and will not exercise any, whatsoever.

If you feel you can help your team and would like to be sent more details, please e-mail the Tollgate office at tollgate@bendbroadband.com.



* As needed road closure

* Pool Parking during road closure will be at the office parking lots

* Tollgate Eclipse Passes available at the Mailboxes, pool, or the Tollgate Office