



ICE STORM DAMAGE

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Crews with the Public Works & Transportation Department worked throughout the night salting district routes and clearing downed trees and limbs from roadways. While the streets remain in good condition, they will focus their efforts on clearing and removing the approximately 150 street trees that were/are impeding traffic. Some of the downed trees may be entangled in Evergy's powerlines or other overhead utility lines, making street openings slow. This effort may extend for a week or more.

While still in the process of cleaning up from yesterday's storm, crews are also focusing on the forecast that indicates the potential for another winter weather system occurring in the next couple days that could produce measurable snowfall. Over the course of the next several days, the priority for crews will be maintaining the condition of the streets from the current storm and in preparation of the forecasted storm. If the predicted measurable snowfall occurs, crews will be involved in plowing operations for at least a week following the storm event.

If a property owner has experienced tree damage from yesterday's storm, the owner is encouraged to contact their insurance carrier and obtain private contractor support. For those residents that desire to remedy the situation themselves, they should cut the trees in place and do not place material on the curb. Drop-off locations for storm debris will not be provided.

Residents who may observe trees leaning on power lines on private property are encouraged to call Evergy at 888.544.4852 to report the location. If the issue is observed along a public street, please call both Evergy and the street division dispatch at 816.271.4848.

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