

Special Storm Tree and Limb Debris Pickup

Due to the extensive damage to the trees and shrubs in Cottage Grove from the late winter storm City employees will be working through May cleaning up the woody debris. They will be cleaning up piles along the streets and trimming damaged street trees now through May.

During the weeks of **May 6th** and **May 20th** City residents are welcome to place their tree limbs and woody debris from damaged trees and shrubs along the street with the following guidelines:

- Residents should pile their debris (trees, limbs, and shrubs) in the curbside parking areas the weekend prior to May 6th and May 20th.
- Debris should be no longer than 10 feet in length.
- Because of the storm damage we will be accepting large diameter debris, please keep to no longer than 10 feet.
- Pile debris so they don't block the bike or traffic lanes.
- Debris must be 30 feet from any intersections.
- Do not place debris in the street where curbside parking does not exist. Some examples are; East Main Street, Gateway Boulevard, and North 9th Street.
- Do not bundle or bag debris.
- The City will not pick up grass clippings, leaves, weeds, dirt, metal, rocks, lumber, or garbage. If those items are placed for pickup they will be left for the land owner to remove.
- Any debris placed out after May 24th will be the land owners responsibility to remove.

The City has also established a limb and woody debris drop off site at the end of North 12th Street behind Dari Mart and the US Post Office. City residents are encouraged to bring their debris to the drop site if possible. The drop site is open from dawn to dusk through May 2019. The woody material will be ground into chips and will be available to the public free of charge. The City will announce when the chips will be available for pickup.

If you have questions regarding the tree limbs and woody debris pickup between now and the end of May, please contact Public Works at (541) 767-4100 or (541) 942-3349.

Estimated Meter Readings for March 2019 Billing

In an effort to remain timely in providing utility bills, it will be necessary to estimate water consumption for the utility bill being mailed to our customers this month. The City will use the utility billing software to create each customer's estimate. The estimates will be based on the consumption during the last meter read period. For example, if the previous period consumption was 1000 gallons, the estimated consumption will be 1000 gallons. The readings will be reviewed by the Utility Billing clerk for reasonableness. However, there could be estimates that are not in line with actual usage and will be addressed during the next billing cycle.