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Sierra Madre Windstorm Information - Update # 6

TREE DEBRIS REMOVAL: AFTER THE WINDSTORM

With the recent windstorm, the City of Sierra Madre has experienced many uprooted trees, snapped tree branches, and tree debris throughout the City. One of the main challenges for City staff is the "clean-up" after the windstorm.

The following is a review of the post-storm assistance provided by the City of Sierra Madre:

- City streets will be cleared as quickly as possible when it is safe to do so. Public Works crews are not allowed to put themselves or the safety of others in jeopardy to clear a street during a storm or after nightfall.
- o The clearing of streets will be prioritized by considering access for public safety vehicles.
- o Tree debris on private property is the responsibility of the property owner. City staff cannot enter private property to remove tree debris.
- o Private property owners are allowed to deposit tree debris from their property onto the side of the street, within the next seven days, for collection by City crews.
- o Please contact the Sierra Madre Public Works Department at (626) 355-7135 with as much advance information as possible including the location and timing of when the tree debris will be placed on the street.
- o Under no circumstances can tree debris be deposited in the streets in such a way as to create a hazard to vehicular or pedestrian traffic.
- o If you have other non-vegetation debris, you may schedule a one-time pick-up with Athens at (888) 336-6100. Do not place non-vegetation debris onto the side of the street until the night before the scheduled pick-up.

It may take time and patience to return the street to pre-storm condition. The City of Sierra Madre thanks its residents for their understanding and all their efforts to assist with the post-storm clean up.

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