



MEDIA RELEASE

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JULY 2, 2008 STORM DAMAGE

There has been considerable tree and limb damage from the July 2 storm reported in some City neighborhoods. At this time, known street blockages from limbs or downed trees have been cleared by City crews working into the night.

If you are aware of a street blockage due to downed trees or flooding, please call 456-3232. Crews will work today and over the weekend to make streets safe for travel, and to address street lighting and traffic light issues. Your continued patience is appreciated.

The City of Grand Rapids encourages residents to utilize the free yard waste recycling site at 2001 Butterworth Street SW to dispose of limbs and tree branches. The site will be open today (July 3), closed for the July 4 holiday, and will reopen on Saturday (be prepared to show proof of residency). Limbs or branches left for curbside yard waste pickup shall be bundled in 4' widths and tagged with the purple yard waste tag. Yard waste is collected on your regular refuse collection day. Residents with regular Friday pickup will have their refuse and yard waste collected on Saturday, July 5.

Residents experiencing sewer backups are directed to call the City's Sewer Maintenance division at 456-3246.

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