



CITY OF THE DALLES
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TOPIC: Snow Response Plan

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With the onset of winter weather, the City of The Dalles Public Works Department plans to plow snow and sand streets in accordance with The Dalles Snow Response Plan. The purpose of the plan is to provide for the safe flow of traffic and protection of property during winter storm events.

The plan calls for snow plowing to begin when the snow depth reaches six inches or more in the streets.

Work by City crews will proceed in priority order if plowing is needed:

- First priority: major arterials, highest traffic volume streets, school routes and emergency routes.
- Second priority: minor arterials and major collectors, streets that connect neighborhoods to the major arterials and streets having grades in excess of 5%.

City resources are stretched to capacity during winter storm events. The job is too big for City crews to tackle alone. Citizens are asked to create and implement their own snow response plan.

While City crews are working hard, citizens are required to help in priority order:

- First priority: sand and/or shovel sidewalks adjacent to their homes or businesses. Safe passage should be cleared within the first two hours of daylight each day. Shoveled snow must be piled on private property, not in the street.
- Second priority: help a neighbor clear the sidewalk in front of their home. Snow that has accumulated on cars that are parked on city streets should be removed so that City plow operators will see the parked cars.

If you need help with meeting the snow removal requirements, call a contractor or contact a volunteer organization.

For more information go to thedalles.org/transportation or contact the Public Works office at (541) 296-5401.

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