



Weekly Reader

Public Works & Engineering Department

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Department Updates

The **Public Works Department** has been doing what they do best this week – **keeping the City safe!** With snowy and icy conditions the last couple days, our first responders have been busy **plowing and salting** all of the roadways throughout the City. In total, the **City is responsible for 211 miles of roadway** and has a fleet of **eleven snow plow trucks** and **eight pickup trucks**. The City's goal is to **clear all streets within twenty-four hours** after the snow stops falling.

Speaking of icy conditions, **the STP crew completed an emergency repair to the north plant's east secondary clarifier**, which was damaged due to ice buildup on the upper scum skimmer arm. The secondary clarifier serves as a settling basin for the **activated sludge process**. The heavier solids settle to the bottom of the basin, allowing the **cleaned water** to flow over the surface weirs where it is then **reintroduced into the environment**. The skimmer arm **collects the oil and grease** that is unable to break down and **returns it to the beginning of the treatment process** to be removed. **The STP crew fabricated and installed new brackets** on the damaged skimmer arm so **the tank is back in service** and this vital wastewater process is able to continue!



Ordinance Reminders

- **Parking Ordinance:** No person shall park any vehicle upon public streets at any time after the snow begins to fall and for eight hours after snow stops falling on the streets and public parking lots. If the snow on the street exceeds two inches in depth, the parking prohibition shall continue until snow removal operations are complete.
- **Depositing Snow/Ice on Public Roadway Prohibited:** No person, firm, corporation or institution, public or private, shall plow or remove or cause to be plowed or removed ice or snow from any shopping center, parking lot, commercial or institutional service area or driveway or any and deposit such ice or snow upon public highway or along the shoulder or edge of a public highway.