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Winter Storm Preparations

Wichita Falls, Texas – The City of Wichita Fall is working closely with several agencies to monitor the potential inclement weather situation. The Public Works Department is staging equipment and personnel for a timely response as the event develops. The city currently has five snow plows, three motor graders and six V-Box spreaders ready to respond. The initial response will be focused on the prioritization roadway map system, which outlines emergency service roadways to be cleared first. Larger thoroughfares that carry the highest amount of traffic will be secondary. Due to limited resources and equipment, residential streets are not plowed.

If the situation warrants, a rock mixture will be applied to icy surfaces, major intersections and roadways as resources allow. The Public Works Department will also work in conjunction with TxDot to monitor and clear any TxDot roads within city limits.

During the weather event, the city anticipates delays in trash collection, bus routes, and Wichita Falls Regional Airport and Kickapoo Airport flights. City offices will be closed Monday, February 15 for Presidents' Day. As the situation develops, the city will determine if normal operations are delayed or canceled for Tuesday, February 16.

The Health District has moved all second dose vaccination appointments scheduled for Tuesday, February 16 to Friday, February, 19. All affected individuals have received a call from the Health District informing them of the change.

The safety of our citizens and employees is the main priority. Citizens are encouraged to follow the weather reports and stay off the roads unless absolutely necessary. Emergency services will already be taxed and may not be able to respond in a normal timely manner. Residents are encouraged to follow the City of Wichita Falls website and social media platforms for updates.

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