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FEMA Funds Canby Parks' Post-Storm Tree Removal

Arborist identified 30 damaged trees within Canby Parks

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has awarded the City of Canby \$67,500 to remove trees damaged by the 2021 Ice Storm.

The cleanup of the public parks system from the ice storm remains underway. Immediately following the ice storm, City of Canby staff and resources were dedicated to reopening roads, ensuring access for emergency vehicles, and reducing hazards on public property.

Canby's Parks Department consulted three arborists to solicit bids and identify top priorities. The arborists surveyed Canby parks and public lands and determined 30 trees were beyond salvageable due to the damage received during the ice storm. The trees are located in multiple locations throughout the Canby parks system. The City is contracting with Arbor Pro Tree Experts and the tree removal is expected to take place on March 21st.

The City of Canby is working to mitigate the removal of the damaged trees. The City's Urban Forestry program continuously plants trees in areas where infill is needed or where diseased trees have been removed. The robust Urban Forestry program will plant between 500 and 1,000 new trees near Willow Creek. The project is part of a larger stormwater project that will eradicate berry briars and bring shade to Willow Creek.

For more information on Canby Parks, please contact Jeff Snyder, Canby Parks Lead, 503.266.0732.

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