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MPU Tree Clearance Work Begins in Manitowoc

The Manitowoc Public Utilities (MPU) has contracted Dave's Tree Service to prune trees that are located near its electric power lines, beginning on January 11, 2021. This preventive maintenance work reduces damage to power lines, reduces power outages, helps to ensure public safety, and conforms to Wisconsin administrative code.

MPU follows a four-year cycle in which electric lines in the City are checked for safety clearance. This year, MPU will target the area west of (and including) North 18th Street and North of the Manitowoc River to the city limit. Crews will dispose of pruned branches unless the property owner requests they be left on site.

The MPU Vegetation Management Policy provides additional information and is available in the "Electric Utility/Safety Information" tab at www.mpu.org.

Residents in other areas of the City who notice tree clearance problems are asked to call the Manitowoc Public Utilities at 686-4366. Residents should never attempt to trim trees near electrical lines and should contact their utility for safety assistance.

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