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UPRIVER DRIVE TRAFFIC MAY BE SLOWED ON TUESDAY

City Urban Forestry Staff to Remove Dead Trees

The trees scheduled for removal are located to the East and West of the Boulder Beach Parking Lot on Upriver Drive.

City of Spokane Urban Forestry staff will begin removal of the four dead trees at 9:00 am on Tuesday, February 22. One lane of traffic will be closed for most of the day and the area will have flaggers regulating traffic flow.

Motorists should allow more time to reach their destination or consider taking alternative routes on Tuesday.

About Urban Forestry

City of Spokane Urban Forestry staff manages 50,000 street trees and another 28,000 trees on developed park land within the City of Spokane. City arborists help manage the urban forest by planting and maintaining trees throughout the City. The thinning of trees in some areas is also done to improve the overall health of various stands of trees in the City's park system. Improving the City's urban forest is an ongoing project that will take decades of work and careful management. In 2010 Spokane received its seventh year in a row designation as a Tree City USA. That program is sponsored by The National Arbor Day Foundation in cooperation with the USDA Forest Service and the National Association of State Foresters. For more information please call 509.363.5470 or go online to www.spokaneurbanforestry.org

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