



City of Pontiac Michigan

Mayor Deirdre Waterman

Department of Public Works

PRESS RELEASE

City of Pontiac Declares a Snow Emergency

Due to the forecasted winter storm, the City of Pontiac has declared a snow emergency, effective **5 PM Friday, February 9, 2018, until further notice.** No parking on residential streets is permitted.

This will allow City workers and contractors to clear the roads in residential neighborhoods as quickly and completely as possible. A copy of the City's Snow Operation Plan follows. Please note that due to unforeseen circumstances, this plan is subject to change.

Anyone who does not have to travel is advised to stay off the roadways during the storm. We appreciate the public's cooperation during this time.

Sincerely,

City of Pontiac

February 9, 2018

Snow Operations Plan

Friday, February 9, 2018

Forecast: 3 to 6 inches of snow. Weather clearing around 7 PM

Based on the current forecast, our snow operations plan for today is to maintain the major roads until the snow subsides this evening. Our crews will work until approximately 7 pm tonight.

Saturday, February 10

Forecast: The forecast is also predicting an additional 1-3 inches during the day and chance of an additional inch in the evening.

Our goal is to maintain the major roads to keep them safe for travel. Once the major roads are safe, we will begin local streets. City staff and our contractor are tentatively scheduled to begin local streets at 5 am on Saturday morning. We will begin in Monday's garbage route (Districts 5, 6, 7) and proceed to Tuesday's route (Districts 3, 4, 5, 6). Crews will work from 5 am to approximately 9 pm. We will continue with Wednesday through Friday routes as time allows on Saturday and into Sunday.

Saturday Night

Forecast: 1 inch of snow

We will have to once again maintain major roads initially, then back into local streets where we left off.

Sunday, February 11

Forecast: Snow accumulations from 1-3 inches.

We will be maintaining major roads to clear for traffic. Once we are completed with majors we will be back to plowing local streets.

As part of our overall plan presented to the Mayor and City Council, our goal and responsibility is to clear major roads whenever there is a snow event, and to clear local streets after a snow event of 6-inches or more. We are prepared to clear local streets within 48 hours of the end of the snow event.