

# News Release

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City of Edmonton

## Snow removal crews working 24/7

City of Edmonton Roadway Maintenance started neighbourhood blading at midnight on January 20, 2014, and has resumed windrow removal from arterial and collector roadways as well as snow removal from cul-de-sacs throughout Edmonton.

"We have every available resource out on the roads, working around the clock," said Bob Dunford, Director of Roadway Maintenance. "We worked through the last four days to improve mobility in those neighbourhoods where the rising temperatures had made streets and alleys impassable, and now in addition to picking up windrows from arterial and bus routes, we've started our city-wide neighbourhood blading cycle."



Citizens can find out when their neighbourhood roads will be bladed by visiting [edmonton.ca/snowremoval](http://edmonton.ca/snowremoval). Although there is no parking ban associated with neighbourhood blading, the City asks that residents remove vehicles from streets wherever possible so that crews can do the most efficient and effective job. Residents are reminded that neighbourhood blading is a 24-hour operation and that crews may be working in neighbourhoods at any point of the day or night, according to the schedule.

Temporary no-parking signs will be in place again this week to allow for daytime pick-up of windrows on collector/bus routes and in cul-de-sacs. Overnight windrow removal on arterial roads has also resumed. It is anticipated that the windrow pick-up cycle on arterials, collector/bus routes and from cul-de-sacs will be completed the first week of February. Windrow removal is not done on neighbourhood streets, but windrows will be kept to a maximum of 30 cm in front of driveways.

"This has been a challenging winter, especially with the unseasonably warm temperatures we've been getting," added Dunford. "We understand the frustration voiced by citizens in regards to neighbourhood roads and greatly appreciate the patience everyone has shown."

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