

No snow? Snow problem!

Even though Edmonton is experiencing a mild winter and a warm January, the City of Edmonton's Roadway Maintenance workers who would normally be plowing snow have no shortage of work.

"Although our busiest time of the year is during heavy snowfalls, the warmer weather allows us to catch up and do proactive work," said Eduardo Sosa, Director of Roadway Maintenance.

The warmer temperatures have uncovered potholes around the city, and filling them is the highest priority. Each shift, 10 crews use approximately 80 tonnes of material to fill the holes uncovered. As warmer weather continues, additional crews will switch from snow and ice duties to pothole duties.

"Following the rain we had a few freeze/thaw cycles, which means sanding is also high on the priority list. We are sanding sidewalks, roads near schools, multi-use trails, and other problem areas, all in an effort to make conditions safer for Edmontonians," said Sosa.

Crews are also busy with street sweeping the downtown core in order to make centre lines visible, cutting tree growth from the edge of asphalt, rebuilding signs needed for spring cleaning, picking up litter and painting over graffiti on City infrastructure.



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