

Dear West Lakeland Residents:

We appreciate your patience and understanding as we continue to work diligently to remove and clean up the storm damaged trees and brush in our Right-of-Way (ROW) from the April 1 2023 storm. It is estimated that there is hundreds trees that have fallen or are structurally compromised throughout our township that will need to be removed. **We will not be removing piled brush in our ROW that is clearly not from our ROW trees.** We have about 10 miles of township ROW that will need significant work to remove the damaged brush and tree debris to open up site lines and allow for mowing operations. It is estimated that all of this work will take about a month or more to complete. Areas with a higher risk to public safety will be the first to be addressed followed by area's with maintained turf and lastly. We greatly appreciate your patience throughout this cleanup and we encourage residents with questions or concerns to reach out to West Lakeland Township and report any new trees that are down or falling into our road surface so that we can promptly address them.

As a reminder to the residents we are now in a high risk oak wilt season as outside of the winter trimming season any oak, elm, ash, as well as any fruit bearing trees should only be trimmed on an emergency basis and the wounds need to be sealed immediately. Please consult your local tree expert for advice on trimming.