City Prepares Equipment and Staff for Snow and Ice Program

Harrisonburg, Va. – The city of Harrisonburg’s Public Works Department has already begun to prepare for winter weather.

Although the fall season has just started to set in, many city departments have made plans and are preparing for the next season.

On Friday, October 9, staff members from the Public Works Department will coordinate their annual dry run for the snow and ice program. The dry run consists of inspecting and testing all equipment needed to combat winter weather and then make any necessary repairs.

“This annual exercise is a time for our staff to run through this program, test the equipment and check our supplies before the first winter storm hits our area,” explained Tom Hartman, assistant director of Public Works.

The Public Works Department is equipped with 18 trucks fully outfitted with plows and spreaders and an additional 12 pieces of equipment are dedicated to snow removal. Approximately 3,000 gallons of salt brine has also been restocked to aid in the snow and ice removal efforts.

For more information on the snow and ice program or to see the primary and secondary plow routes, please visit www.HarrisonburgVA.gov/snow-plow.

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