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Brookhaven reflects on city storm response efforts

Brookhaven, GA Jan. 31, 2014 – The City of Brookhaven worked around the clock starting Tuesday morning to make sure appropriate actions were taken in response to severe winter weather that caused dangerous driving conditions on roadways. Brookhaven city staff took the following steps to ensure driver safety:

- Brookhaven Public Works crews began pretreating bridges and roadways in the morning on Tues., Jan. 28. They continued working for the next 96 hours to salt more than 35 miles of primary and major secondary roads in the city, including Ashford Dunwoody Rd., Johnson Ferry Rd., Dresden Dr., and East Roxboro Rd., as well as state routes, including Peachtree Rd., Buford Hwy, Clairmont Rd. and North Druid Hills Rd. Crews made a final pass over all city streets today treating any leftover patches of black ice.
- Brookhaven Public Works coordinated with both Georgia Department of Transportation and DeKalb County to obtain additional salt mix materials to supplement the city's own supply. In total, public works crews spread more than 320 tons of sand/ salt mix in four days.
- The Brookhaven Police Department worked in tandem with the public works team to identify areas that needed treatment and to close roads that were too icy for travel. Brookhaven Officers also worked around the clock to ensure the safety of motorists, handling approximately 400 stranded and abandoned vehicles.
- The Brookhaven Communications Department worked with the city manager to issue five E-News notifications to residents providing updates on city hall closures and road conditions. This information was also posted on the city's social media platforms and on the home page of Brookhaven's web site, www.brookhavenga.gov.

"I am more than satisfied with Brookhaven's response efforts. City staff acted with the utmost urgency and professionalism to ensure that roads were cleared in a timely manner and residents were made aware of our efforts," Brookhaven Mayor J. Max Davis said. "I am also very proud of our city council members who helped share updates with their respective districts."

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