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### **City of Springfield Prepares Snow Equipment for Winter**

SPRINGFIELD, OH— (October 6, 2016)— The City of Springfield’s Service Department is busy preparing its equipment for winter. While the roads will likely be clear for several more weeks, the city is getting snowplows and ice-melting materials ready for the first snowfall.

The City of Springfield has a fleet of dump trucks that are used to help deliver a variety of services to residents and businesses throughout the year, including tree removal and planting, water and sewer repairs and street maintenance. Each year during the beginning of October, the city’s Fleet Maintenance division begins systematically preparing these trucks for winter snow and ice removal.

The first goal of this preparation is to have 14 trucks serviced and equipped by November 1 to ensure that at least one truck is equipped and ready to cover each of the 14 snow routes. Once the initial 14 trucks are winter-ready, mechanics continue their efforts on the remaining trucks until all 24 full-size dump trucks and other winter equipment are ready to help keep Springfield’s streets safe during the winter months.

“It is vital that our residents are able to drive safely on the city’s roads during the winter,” said Service Director Chris Moore. “In order to ensure their safety, the city begins preparing for snow weeks before winter begins as the weather in Ohio can be unpredictable.

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