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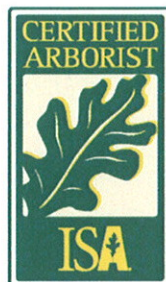
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## Tree Safety Wind Advisory

The National Weather Service and local meteorologists are predicting increase wind speeds over the next few days and the chance of thunderstorms early next week. Due to the damage many trees received from last weeks ice storm branches caught up in the canopy, referred to as hangers or window makers as well as broken branches barely attached by remaining bark pose a serious safety concern. The increased winds could dislodge these branches. Falling branches could cause serious injury or death. Residents are advised to stay out from under trees that have not been properly pruned since the ice storm. Due to this and other hazardous **ALL** parks are CLOSED as are most trails. Scull Creek, Mud Creek and Frisco Trails are the only trails OPEN.

Please beware when outside and look up before entering public areas, private areas or your own yard where trees exist.

If you are planning to work on your own trees and will be using a ladder or ropes to enter the tree's canopy to do work the increased wind speeds could seriously affect your footing on ladders or in the tree and how cut branches fall. Branches could be blown back into you and knock you out of the tree, cut branches could be blown on to people assisting on the ground or into windows or other items that could be damaged. In these developing weather conditions it is better to wait or hire a professional tree service, which will have aerial lifts or proper rigging to ascend a tree.



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