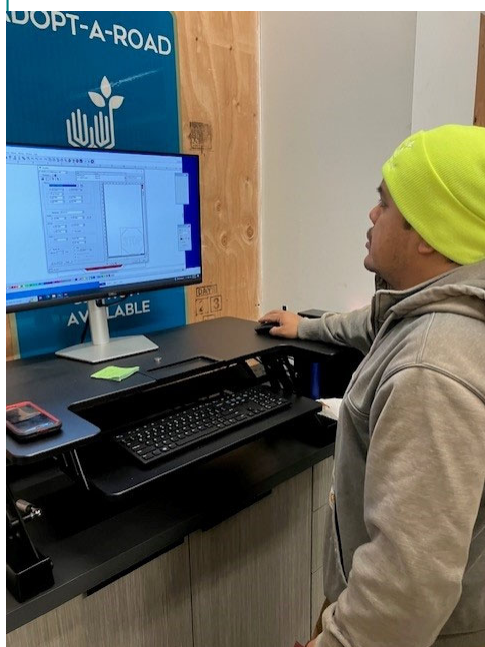


From The Director's Office:

As 2024 comes to a close, I want to acknowledge the public works staff for their dedication, perseverance and flexibility for the operation and maintenance of the City's variety of assets.



Best Regards,
Delora Kerber, Public Works Director

Facilities

A Seamless Transition

Facilities Maintenance technicians Trevor Denfeld and Konnen Bell install sound-reducing felt board that also acts as a pinboard at City Hall. The installation required use of a laser level, as the board came in three pieces that had to be lined up perfectly to ensure the patterns matched perfectly.



Facilities

Reduce, Reuse, Respond

Matt Baker, Facilities Supervisor along with Facility Technicians Trevor Denfeld and Konnen Bell installed desks for Parks Maintenance staff at the new Parks Maintenance Operations Building located at 29796 SW Town Center Loop East (previously occupied by ArtTech High School) They were able to re-use desk materials from the old Public Works building, saving both money and resources rather than adding to landfill.



Facility Maintenance Specialist Robert Todd and Noah Fiscus responded to an oil leak coming from a community member's vehicle at the library. First they took preventive measures by placing straw wattles around the catch basin and the source of the leak. Next they laid down absorbent pads and kitty litter. Every effort was made to ensure no polluted run off reached the storm basin. To complete the job, they disposed of the contaminated materials safely.



Facilities

Behind The Scenes

Facilities Janitorial Lead Bernardo Lara-Gomez is cleaning up vandalism at the WES public restrooms. The Facilities Maintenance Janitors are constantly working behind the scenes to keep City buildings clean and comfortable for all who frequent them. Thank you team!



Facilities

Up, Up And Away

Members of the Facilities Maintenance Grounds crew removed tree limbs overhanging some of the City's water well sites. Preventative maintenance goes a very long way in keeping the City functioning smoothly, including ensuring safe, clean water for residents and businesses.



Utilities

Just Add Water

A report of a service line leak in Charbonneau brought out the Utilities Maintenance team, along with the hydro-excavator. Using pressurized water to expose the leaking section of pipe, the team determined it was best to replace a 7-foot section of copper service line to prevent future pipe failures. After completing the repair, the service line was thoroughly flushed and water service restored to the home. Finally, the affected area was backfilled, finished with topsoil and reseeded to bring landscaping back to its original beauty.



Utilities

The Long Haul

The Utilities Sanitary Sewer team recently completed extensive stormwater main line cleaning and root removal in Charbonneau. The stormwater main in question was over 800 feet in length with a limited number of manholes for access. Staff were required to stage their equipment in a nearby parking lot over 200 feet from the access point and then traverse across several properties in order to begin the work. Staff were able to clear the associated lines and then conduct a closed-circuit television (CCTV) inspection of the system.



Roads

Walking on Sunshine

Oregonians know that every sunny day in the winter should be seized, and the Roads crew took advantage of dry December days by getting out and patching asphalt around town. When the weather doesn't allow for asphalt work, Roads crew utilize the sign shop to repair and install signs. The sign shop continues to speed this work allowing the team to manufacture nearly all regulatory signs in house.



Roads

Safety First

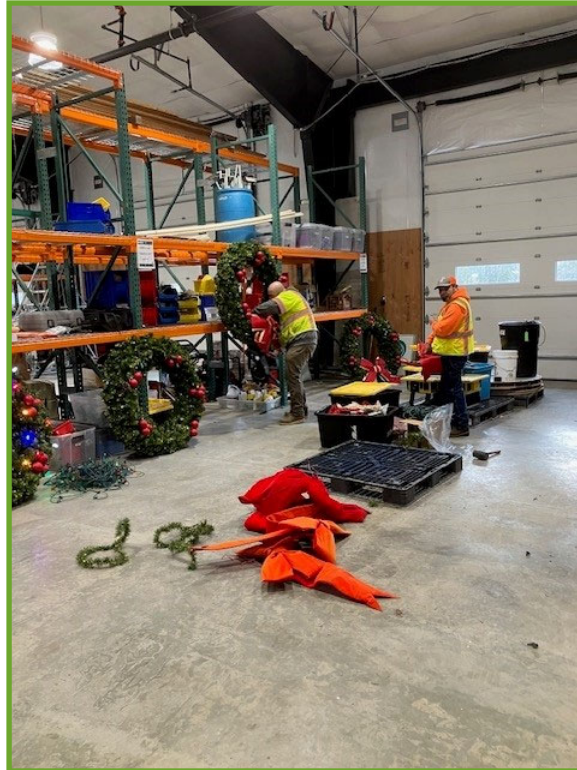
The Roads crew aims to be one step ahead of the weather, removing fallen leaves, limbs and maintaining sidewalks to abate falling limbs, slippery roads, and potential hazards to citizens. Fresh arbor chips are added to landscaping now to prevent fast-growing weeds in the Spring.



Roads

'Tis The Season

December saw the Roads team completing holiday décor around the City, bringing glimmers of light and a bit of sparkle to the sometimes gray days of winter. The team first pruned the large cypress at Boones Ferry Road and Wilsonville Road, before adding lights and garland using the bucket truck.



Stormwater

The Root of The Problem

The Stormwater team has been busy this month! December started with working on storm lines in the Courtyard area that were obstructed with tree roots. Once those lines were flowing, work moved to a 800 foot long storm line along the golf course in Charbonneau that also was impacted with roots. This took considerable effort, and the Storm and Utilities Sanitary crews worked together to use our off road easement machine to clean and then video inspect the line to verify that it was free of obstructions.



Stormwater

Clean Sweeps

The Stormwater team continued their efforts to remove fallen leaves from City-maintained roadways, removing slippery obstacles for drivers and the City's contracted street sweeping service. The team also had to sweep away beaver dams that have been diligently built by the state animal of Oregon. These locals have been damming up the stream south of Ridder Road, causing potential flooding. We are sure our Storm team will meet them again in this ongoing turf battle!

