

Supervisor Romaine Urges Residents to be Cautious During North Shore Storm Clean-up

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Common Sense Precautions Will Help Residents Stay Safe

Farmingville, NY - The recent early morning storm has caused extensive damage including downed trees, branches and power lines in many north shore communities. Supervisor Ed Romaine asks residents to take "common sense" precautions during the clean up to ensure their safety and the safety of Town clean-up crews. The Brookhaven Highway, Parks and Waste Management departments are working extended hours in an effort to clean-up debris and make all roads passable and safe for travel.

Residents should take the following precautions during the clean-up:

- Stay off roads that are blocked with debris.
- Do not attempt to move downed power lines or debris entangled by power lines.
- Do not stack branches and debris near fire hydrants.
- When using a generator, place it outdoors and follow all manufacturers' safety precautions.
- Check on elderly and infirmed friends and neighbors.
- Keep your pets indoors.
- Listen to the local radio or television news for more information and emergency notifications.

Supervisor Romaine said, "I commend our Highway, Parks and Waste Management department work crews who are working hard in the areas hit hard by the storm. It is important that residents use extreme caution while removing debris from their yards and do what they can to help the clean-up effort move ahead more quickly."

"The Highway Department has been working tirelessly to clear Brookhaven roadways of trees and debris since 6 a.m. Tuesday morning," said Daniel P. Losquadro, Brookhaven Superintendent of Highways. "While this work is in progress, please obey signs and listen to traffic coordinators that are there to keep you and your neighbors' safe."

Residents should call 451-TOWN to report downed trees in the road. Call 911 for police, fire and ambulance emergencies only. To report a power outage or downed wires, call PSEG at 800-490-0075 or go to www.psegliny.com to file a report online. Please go to the Town's website at www.brookhaven.org for up-to-date storm related news, information, weather updates and emergency contact numbers.

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