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Oncor to Prune Trees Near Power Lines

Wylie, TX, Feb. 3, 2016 – In order to minimize the risk of power outages, Oncor will trim trees throughout the city of Wylie during the month of February. Those affected will be notified by a door hanger three to five days prior to the pruning.

Oncor utilizes Nelson Tree Service and will strive to have minimal impact on the health of trees pruned. Considerations will include the safety of utility workers, how much trees and conductors sway in high winds, and the ability of limbs to break and fall on lines. In most cases, affected trees will be trimmed 10 feet; however, cuts could go back to the trunk in order to protect the future health of the tree. Oncor trims to industry standards using directional pruning methods, usually making cuts in the shape of “V” or “L” depending on the type of tree, size of limb, proximity to the lines, and other considerations.

Although it is not possible to prevent all tree-related outages, a well-managed tree pruning program can drastically reduce outages and provide a safer environment for utility workers and the public.

Oncor will trim trees on the west side of Hwy. 78, starting across from the Oncor substation south to Birmingham Street; Birmingham from W. Oak Street south to Stoneybrook Drive; S. Ballard Avenue from FM 544 to the Sachse Road and Pleasant Valley Road split; the north side of Cloudcroft Drive; Thomas Street from E. Stone Road to the end of Thomas; Oncor right of way south from Thomas around to Cloudcroft; E. Duncan Way; Hilltop Lane; Calloway Street; Jackson Avenue; First Street; Second Street; Third Street; Fourth Street; Industrial Court; W. Kirby Street; Masters Avenue; Alanis Drive; Martin Drive; Forestbrook Drive and Shadybrook Drive.

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Other affected roadways include the east side of Hwy. 78 from the Oncor substation south to FM 544; Spence Drive; Marble Street; Third Street; Fourth Street; Fifth Street; Oak Drive; Birmingham Street; Cooper Drive; Commerce Drive; Business Way; both sides of FM 544 from Hwy. 78 west to Westgate Way; DART right of way behind Kerwin Court and Dielman Drive; Patricia Lane; Leon Drive; Kathy Drive; Martinez Lane; Stoneybrook Drive; Kristen Lane; Kristen Court; Century Way; Glen Knoll Drive; and both sides of Hwy. 78 from FM 544 south to Country Club Road.

Trees will also be pruned on Dog Drop Road; Paul Wilson Road; Parker Road; Orchard Trail; Fieldstone Drive; Autumn Breeze Drive; N. Gaston Drive; Kamber Lane; DaVinci Lane; Vickie Lane; Winding Oaks Drive; the south side of Brown Street from Winding Oaks Drive east to Country Club; the east side of Country Club from Brown south to across from Wylie City Hall; Sanden Boulevard north of Brown; Towngate Drive; Ann Drive, Marbury Way and Hamilton Road.

For more information visit www.Oncor.com.

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About Wylie – Incorporated in 1887, the City of Wylie is located just 24 miles from downtown Dallas in Collin, Dallas and Rockwall counties. Possessing an outstanding school district, a low crime rate, an ISO #1 rating and an expanding business climate, Wylie (population 44,938) is one of the fastest-growing communities in the state of Texas with a 197-percent increase since 2000. Wylie was named the 25th Best Place to Live in the Country by Money Magazine.