



City of Yakima

# **News Release**

**Subject: Tree Trimming Along 80<sup>th</sup> Avenue**

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## **Tree Trimming on 80<sup>th</sup> Avenue to Affect Drivers**

Tree trimming along 80<sup>th</sup> Avenue will result in the closure of portions of the northbound lane of the street for most of the day on Wednesday, November 19<sup>th</sup>.

City of Yakima crews will be cutting back branches on trees along the roadway to improve safety in the area. As a result, portions of the northbound lane of 80<sup>th</sup> Avenue within a few blocks in each direction from the Midvale Road/80<sup>th</sup> Avenue intersection will be closed from 9:00 am until about 3:00 pm on November 19<sup>th</sup>.

Flaggers will be in place to direct drivers to the one lane of 80<sup>th</sup> Avenue that will remain open. The southbound lane will be used to accommodate both northbound and southbound traffic on a rotating basis.

The westbound lane of Wide Hollow will remain open while the tree trimming project is underway, although traffic may be slowed in that lane between 80<sup>th</sup> and 96<sup>th</sup>.

Access to homes and businesses in the area will be maintained and traffic will be allowed through the project area when possible.

As always, the schedule for this type of a project is subject to change daily dependent on weather, equipment failure, and emergencies.

For additional information about this project, contact Streets and Traffic Operations Manager Joe Rosenlund at 576-6430.