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CANNON FALLS POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE CONTACT: Chief
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VOLUNTEER CLEANUP INFORMATION WITHIN THIS RELEASE

On September 20, 2018 the City of Cannon Falls experienced a devastating storm that resulted in damage to power poles and trees, which left a large part of the city without power. Until the downed power lines were repaired it was unsafe for the City to request volunteer assistance.

That has been accomplished and the City of Cannon Falls has set Saturday, September 29th as a coordinated volunteer cleanup day. Details of the volunteer cleanup are still being finalized and will be posted on the City of Cannon Falls Facebook page, the Cannon Falls Police Department Facebook page, the City of Cannon Falls website and an updated press release will be sent out. The volunteer times Saturday would be 8am until 4pm, and a lunch will be provided to cleanup volunteers. Tree services that may wish to volunteer are asked to call **507-263-9305** All other persons interested in volunteering are asked to wait until Wednesday as details are finalized.

For residents of the City, if you have any trees that need to be cut down or cut up, please either cut them before Saturday or put a sign in your yard Friday, so that trained and approved volunteers will know where cutting is needed. The City wants to remind residents that only brush should be put out to be picked up. If other items are mixed with the brush, the pile will not be picked up. The City also encourages residents with means to do it on their own to please haul your brush to the City Brush Dump. This will ensure that resources can be used for residents without the means to do it themselves. The Brush Dump currently is open 24 hours, 7 days a week. While not every location may be cleared on Saturday, by following the information above you can help make that day as efficient as possible.

The City of Cannon Falls State of Emergency has been lifted. However, all City parks and trails remain closed and the City is asking residents and visitors to please stay out of the parks and off the trails because those are one of the cleanup focus areas in the next couple of days. The safety of residents is very important so we want to remind everyone that there may still be suspended braches in trees that pose a hazard. The City will be doing a tree survey over the next few weeks, but if you are in an area with trees, please look around and up to ensure your safety.

Please watch for updates on the Cannon Falls Police Department Facebook page or the City of Cannon Falls Facebook page.

The Cannon Falls Police Department wants to remind our residents to report anything suspicious that they may see or hear as soon as possible so an officer can check on what is occurring. The easiest way to report suspicious activity is calling 911.