

## Integrated Vegetation Management Program: Storm Work Debris & Repairs

Union Power Cooperative's Linemen and IVM Department Tree Pruning contractors work diligently during storm events to bring power back to our Members as quickly as possible. After a storm event passes through our service territory, the priorities for our Linemen and tree pruning crews consist of making the lines safe by pruning trees on wires for proper, effective, and timely restoration of electricity.



After storm events have passed, Union Power Cooperative's IVM Department **will** address:

- Repair of yards that have been rutted from equipment access
- Connecting the service line back to the house after the Member has performed (with licensed electrician approval) meter re-attachment to the house
- Repairs to a yard light or yard light wire

During and after storm events have passed, we **will not** address the following situations:

- Removal and disposal of tree debris
- Cutting down trees that are hung up on private property (ex. fences, homes, sheds)
- Putting up fence or gate sections which have to be taken down in order to obtain access to the right-of-way zone
- Re-attach a service line to the house if the meter has been pulled off of the house (an electrician must perform the re-installation of the meter before we are able to attach the energized wires).
- Assume liability for repairs needed to septic tanks, lines, pipes, and/or fields damaged that are located in the right-of-way maintenance zones
- Damage to other trees or landscaping during cutting operations

Contact us at 704 289-3145 to report ruts created on your property from storm restoration efforts and for attachment of a service line after a meter base has been repaired by an electrician of your choosing.

**Note:** Union Power employees do not have a need to enter a home for any reason.