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November 22, 2017

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STREET DIVISION MAINTENANCE UPDATE

STREET SWEEPING:

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The fall arterial sweeping cycle has been completed, and the fall residential sweeping cycle commenced on Monday, September 25, 2017. This should be the final week of residential street sweeping.

Areas to be swept the week beginning November 27, 2017 are as follows:

Kishwaukee east to 20th St. – Sandy Hollow Rd. north to Harrison Ave.
Alpine Rd. east to Perryville Rd. – Harrison Ave. north to Newburg Rd.

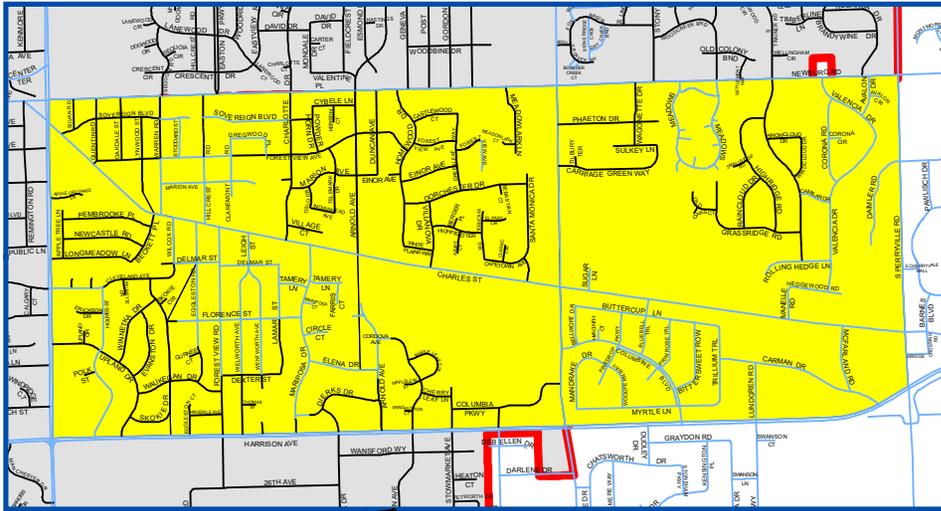
Each Thursday throughout the sweeping season, weekly updates will be provided to highlight the areas of the city in which street sweepers will be working. Maps will also be included to provide a visual of areas completed, not completed, and those in progress.

All Street Division Operations are dependent on existing weather conditions and are subject to change accordingly. Citizens are urged to approach Public Works Crews with caution and at a reduced speed that is below posted speed limits.

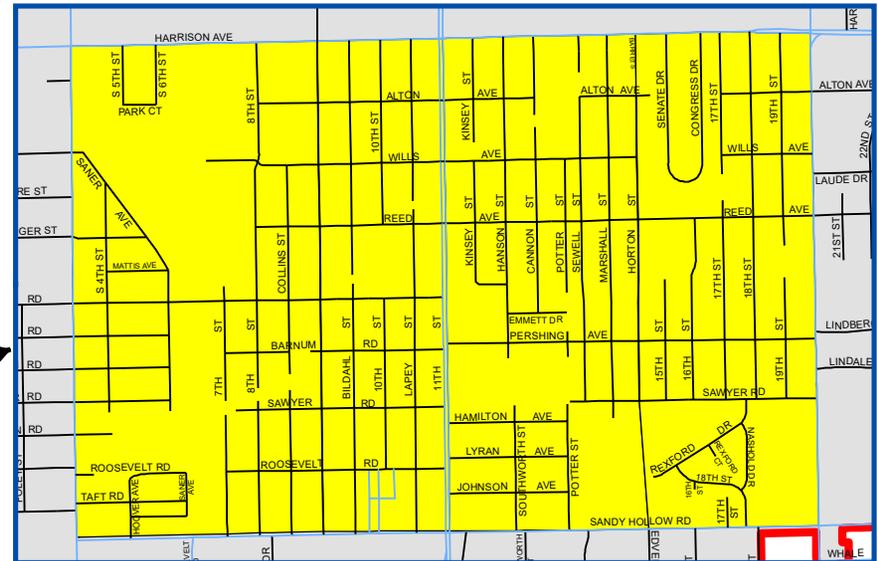
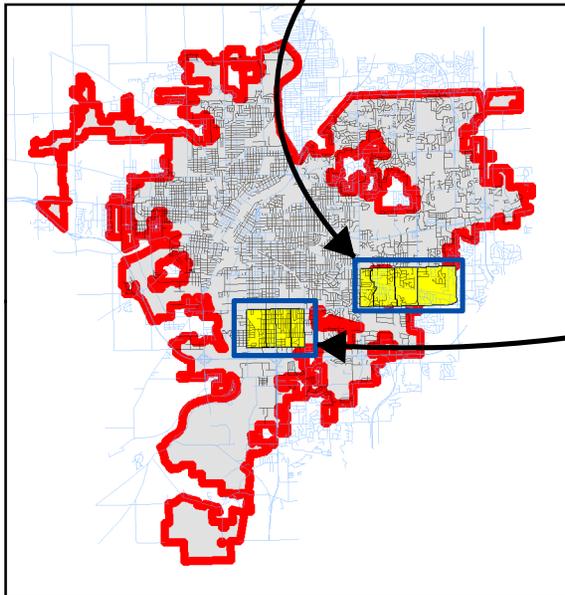
The City of Rockford appreciates your continued patience and cooperation as we perform our Street Maintenance Activities.

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Fall 2017 Street Sweeping Detail

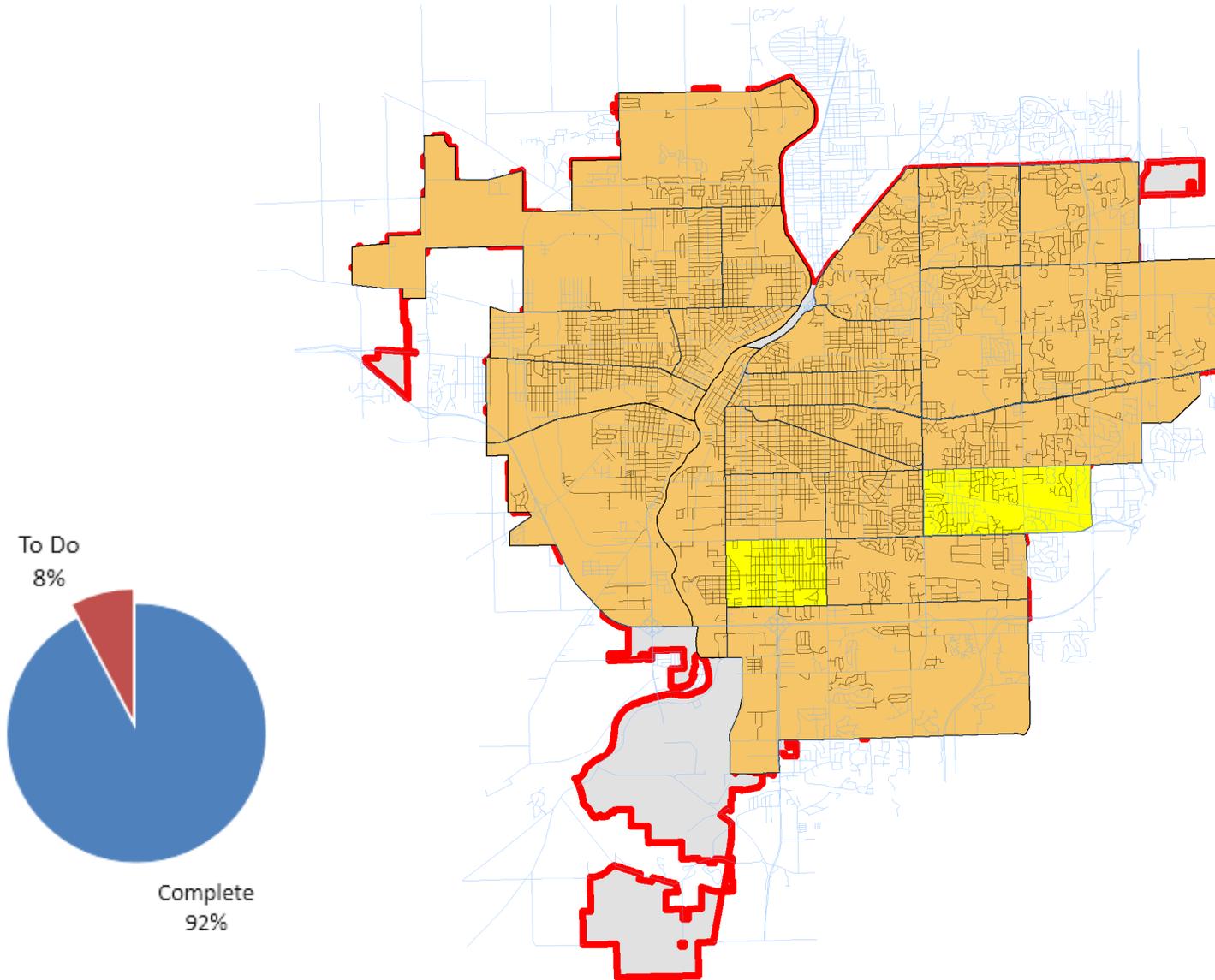


Residential streets in the indicated areas are scheduled* for sweeping the week of:
November 27 through December 1, 2017
*Sweeping operations are subject to weather conditions and may change without notice



Residential Street Sweeping

Fall 2017 Cycle Overview



Orange areas indicate where residential sweeping has been completed for this cycle.
Yellow areas are scheduled for sweeping during the next week.



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Harrison Avenue Reconstruction Project **(Harrison Avenue between 9th Street and East of 22nd Street)** **(11th Street between Wills Avenue and South of 23rd Avenue)**

Continuing the 2017 construction season, Harrison Avenue roadwork is proceeding between 9th Street and 20th Street, and 11th Street roadwork is underway between 23rd Avenue and Wills Avenue. As Stage 2 of the Harrison Avenue project advances, the focal point of construction crews is concrete paving along the south lanes of Harrison Avenue. Stage 2 progression includes box culvert extension, road widening, new pavement, curb and gutter placement, median installation, sidewalk improvements, sanitary sewer construction, storm sewer installation, water main replacement, new street lights, new traffic signals, and pavement markings. Stage 2 construction is scheduled to continue through fall of 2017.

During Stage 2, the north lanes of Harrison Avenue and the west lanes of 11th Street will remain open to one lane of traffic each way at this time, with short, intermittent side street closures as the underground work moves through those intersections at various times during this stage.

Marshall Street is now closed to traffic at Harrison Avenue, and Alton Avenue has been closed at 11th Street. 20th Street is now open to traffic in one lane each direction with a dedicated turn lane. 11th Street traffic pattern has changed to the west side of the road. Contractors have completed paving the east side of 11th Street. On Friday, December 1, 2017, all traffic will be moved to the outside lanes of Harrison Avenue as well as on 11th Street. This configuration will take place for construction crews to complete the center medians.

All work is dependent on the proper weather conditions. Drivers should be aware of work zone speed limits and use caution when driving in these areas.

**Lane Closures of North Main Street (IL-2) – Illinois
Department of Transportation Roadway Project (Yonge Street
to just north of Riverside Boulevard)**

During the week of November 27th, 2017, intermittent lane closures and intersection closures will occur for utility relocation along Riverside Boulevard as well as along North Main Street. Please be alert for construction activities when driving, biking, and walking through these areas in the upcoming weeks.

The northbound lanes of North Main Street between Auburn Street and Pierce Avenue will be closed for roadway milling and paving operations for the length of the project until further notice. Southbound and northbound traffic will be two way traffic for the conclusion of this project. In addition, intermittent western legs of North Main intersections will be closed for the duration of traffic staging 2B. This work is anticipated to be completed by the end of October 2017.

Please note that businesses are open during construction.

On March 22nd, 2017, construction began on the IDOT N Main project. The North Main Street Roadway Project consists of pavement removal, excavation, roadway re-alignment, PCC pavement, HMA pavement, curb and gutter placement, landscaped median, multi-use path and sidewalk construction, water main replacement, storm sewer installation, landscaping, street lighting, traffic signal modernization and interconnection, pavement markings, erosion control, maintenance of traffic and all other necessary items to complete the improvements.

The City of Rockford appreciates your continued patience and cooperation during this project.

North Alpine Box Culvert over Keith Creek (North Branch)

Road construction continues on the North Alpine Box Culvert over Keith Creek (North Branch). Similar to the box culvert interchange on South Alpine Road in 2015, this project includes the complete replacement of the box culvert structure on North Alpine Road, north of Maray Drive. The limit of the project will be resurfaced. Dependent on weather, this year's operations will consist of the replacement of the box culvert. The remainder of the project will be finished next construction season.

Contractors are now reconstructing the western portion of the box culvert. Traffic lanes on Alpine Road have been shifted to the east side and are reduced to one lane in each direction. This lane configuration will be in place throughout October 2017. When the box culvert reconstruction is complete, all four lanes of traffic will be reopened until next year's construction season.

Drivers should be aware of their speeds in the work zone area and expect delays.

Spring Creek Road Resurfacing

The Spring Creek Road Resurfacing project proceeds through this construction season. Operations consists of full width resurfacing with major curb and gutter replacement, sidewalk repairs, ADA ramp installation, driveway approaches, drainage maintenance, and structural renovation as needed on Spring Creek Road from Parkview Avenue to Spring Brook Road. This project is expected to reach completion by November 2017.

As the continuation of Stage 1 succeeds, construction along the Anderson Gardens entrances and roadwork will move eastward to remove and replace curb and gutters along the north side of the road, utilizing the current traffic control that is set up as part of the Sanitary District's project.

Drivers should be aware of their speeds in the work zone area and expect delays.

City-Wide Street Repairs 2017 Group No. 4 **(Concrete)**

Construction work began on the City-Wide Street Repairs 2017 Group No. 4 (Concrete) project. This project consists of various pavement repairs throughout the city. Repairs may include, but are not limited to pavement patching, full width mill and overlay, curb repairs, sidewalk improvements, ADA ramp installation, structure adjustments, and apron repairs.

Full width resurfacing and road reconstruction with curb and gutter repairs, sidewalk maintenance, ADA ramp installation, driveway approaches, drainage preservation, and structure repairs as needed at the following locations:

- 1) Oak Lawn Avenue – Parkview Avenue to Rockford Avenue
- 2) Post Avenue – Churchill Street to Ellsworth Street
- 3) Salter Avenue – South Main Street to West Street
- 4) Ed Vera Drive – Sandy Hollow Road to Jamestown Drive
- 5) Arline Avenue – Richmond Street to Vermont Street
- 6) Lynwood Street – Sovereign Boulevard to Forest View Avenue
- 7) 4th Avenue – Kishwaukee Street to 4th Street
- 8) 10th Street – 12th Avenue to Broadway
- 9) North Independence Avenue – Andrews Street to School Street
- 10) Lydia Avenue – North Springfield Avenue to Victory Street
- 11) West Jefferson Street – Underwood Street to Avon Street

Reconstruction of the roadway with new curb and gutter as well as structure repairs as need at the following locations:

- 1) Barnum Road – Bildahl Street to 9th Street

Curb and gutter repairs, sidewalk maintenance, ADA ramp installation, driveway approaches, drainage preservation, and structure repairs as needed at the following locations:

- 1) North Church Street Sidewalk – Sidewalk at 220 North Church Street
- 2) 6th Street Sidewalk – Benton Street to Chamberlain Street
- 3) North Church Street Sidewalk – Sidewalk at 1003 North Church Street
- 4) South First Street Sidewalk – Sidewalk at 322-328 South First Street
- 5) Guilford Road Sidewalk – Sidewalk at 3124 Guilford Street
- 6) Liberty Drive Sidewalk – Sidewalk at 3104 Liberty Drive
- 7) North Avenue Sidewalk – Napoleon Street to Ridge Avenue
- 8) Parkside Avenue Curb and Gutter – Soper Avenue to Johnston Avenue
- 9) Richmond Street Curb and Gutter and Sidewalk – Arline Avenue to Parkside Avenue
- 10) Constance Drive Sidewalk – Sidewalk at 3212 Constance Drive
- 11) Bell Avenue Approach – Approach at St. Bernadette's
- 12) Carriage Lane Sidewalk – Sidewalk at 2923 Carriage Lane
- 13) Latham Street Sidewalk – Wagner Avenue to Brown Avenue (Various Locations)
- 14) Marriott Drive Sidewalk – Carriage Lane to Riverside Boulevard
- 15) Ridge Avenue Sidewalk – Intersection of Ridge Avenue and Grace Street
- 16) Ridge Avenue Sidewalk – Intersection of Ridge Avenue and Quincy Street
- 17) 4th Street Sidewalk – 3rd Avenue to 5th Avenue
- 18) 17th Avenue Sidewalk – Sidewalk at 1924 17th Avenue (15th Street Sidewalk)
- 19) Charles Street Sidewalk – East State Street to 1st Avenue
- 20) Alley 565 – Approach repairs at Fulton Avenue
- 21) Elm Street Sidewalk – South Hinkley Avenue to Waldo Street
- 22) 3rd Avenue Sidewalk – 7th Street to 8th Street
- 23) East State Street Sidewalk – Intersection of East State Street and Prospect Street
- 24) Police Station No. 1 Sidewalk – Sidewalk around the project limits of Police Station 1

Alley reconstruction with new concrete surface, curb and gutter repairs, sidewalk maintenance, driveway approaches, drainage preservation, and structure repairs as needed at the following locations:

- 1) Alley 450 – N0100 Block of North First Street to Alley 774

Concrete Patching and structure repairs as needed at the following locations:

- 1) Marieme Drive Patching – Shirley Road to End of Marieme Drive
- 2) Central Avenue Patching – Intersection of Central Avenue and Preston Street
- 3) Harney Court Patching – Intersection of Harney Court and Morningside Drive
- 4) Larson Avenue Patching – Kenmore Road to Shenandoah Avenue
- 5) School Street Patching – Jilson Avenue to Forest Avenue

Operations for these projects are expected to reach completion by November 2017. These locations may require parking restrictions for a short period of time.

City-Wide Street Repairs 2017 Group No. 5 **(Arterial/Residential)**

Construction work began on the City-Wide Street Repairs 2017 Group No. 5 (Arterial/Residential) project. This project consists of various pavement repairs throughout the city. Repairs may include, but are not limited to pavement patching, full width mill and overlay, curb repairs, sidewalk improvements, ADA ramp installation, structure adjustments, and apron repairs.

Full width resurfacing with curb and gutter repairs, sidewalk improvements, ADA ramp installation, driveway approaches, and structure repairs as needed at the following locations:

- 1) 31st Street from Charles Street to Broadway
- 2) Greenwood Avenue from Calvin Park Boulevard to Vale Avenue
- 3) Hawthorne Avenue from Harney Court to Wind Point Drive
- 4) Larson Avenue from Glendale Avenue to Peter Avenue
- 5) Larson Avenue from Woodland Drive to Parkside Drive
- 6) Manheim Road from Dempster Road to End of Manheim Road
- 7) Alliance Avenue from Mulberry Street to West Jefferson Street
- 8) Andrews Street from North Johnston Avenue to North Henrietta Avenue
- 9) Chisholm Trail from School Street to Overland Trail
- 10) Mulberry Street from North Day Avenue to North Horace Avenue
- 11) Central Avenue Patching from Arthur Street to Auburn Street
- 12) Halsted Road from Central Avenue to Hazel Street
- 13) North Bell School Road from Spring Creek Road to Spring Brook Road
- 14) North Johnston Avenue Patching from School Street to Auburn Street
- 15) North Rockton Avenue from Paradise Boulevard to Halsted Road
- 16) Ogilby Road from Montague Road to Forsythia Drive
- 17) Roxbury Road from East State Street to Regents Park Road
- 18) Assembly Drive from Airport Road to Research Parkway
- 19) East Rock Drive from 27th Avenue to Wansford Way
- 20) Merchandise Drive from Sandy Hollow Road to End of Merchandise Drive

Operations for these projects are expected to reach completion by November 2017. These locations may require parking restrictions for a short period of time.

City-Wide Sidewalk and ADA Repairs 2017 Package #5

City Wide Sidewalk and ADA Repairs 2017 package #5 has commenced. Production may include, but is not limited to sidewalk improvements, ADA ramp installation, parkway restoration, and other related construction activities at Northwest and Southwest quadrants of the city. The necessary traffic control and signage will be posted.

The City of Rockford appreciates your continued patience and cooperation during these projects.



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City of Rockford Annual Fire Flow Testing Program Update

ROCKFORD, Ill. – The City of Rockford began its annual fire flow testing program on Monday, September 25, 2017. Flow testing occurs Monday through Friday between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

The City of Rockford implements a fire flow testing program annually to ensure that our fire hydrants flow with adequate pressure in the event of a fire.

Customers are advised that they may experience discolored water during flow testing. While not a health hazard, flushing iron (red water) or manganese (black water) may become stirred up within the main which may create staining on porcelain and laundry.

This work may result in the disturbance of sediment, possibly containing lead. It is recommended that customers flush their water lines for 1 – 2 minutes once work is completed in their area including removing and cleaning faucet aerator screens to remove sediment.

We anticipate that this program will last for approximately 8 weeks.

You may refer to the attached map to view progress. The green hydrants represent those that have been tested. The boxed area represents the area where the crew is currently concentrating efforts.

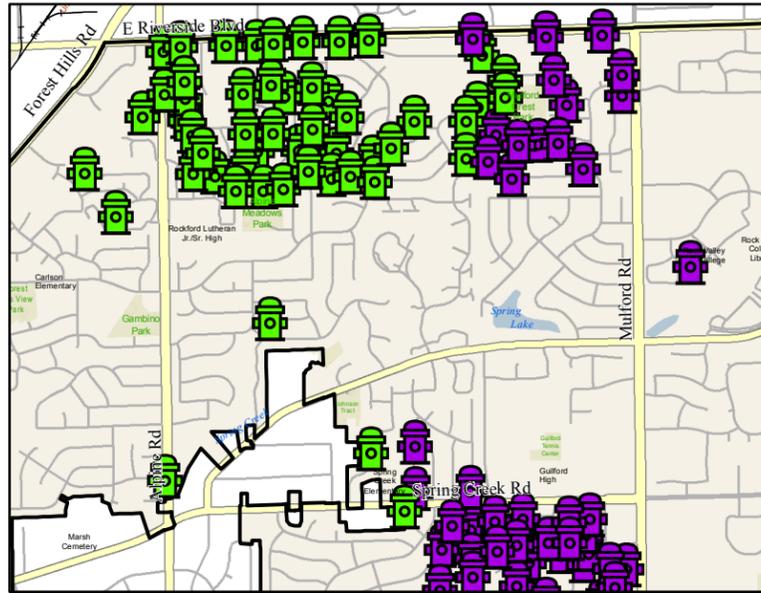
Water quality questions and concerns may be directed to the Water Quality Section at 779-348-7151.

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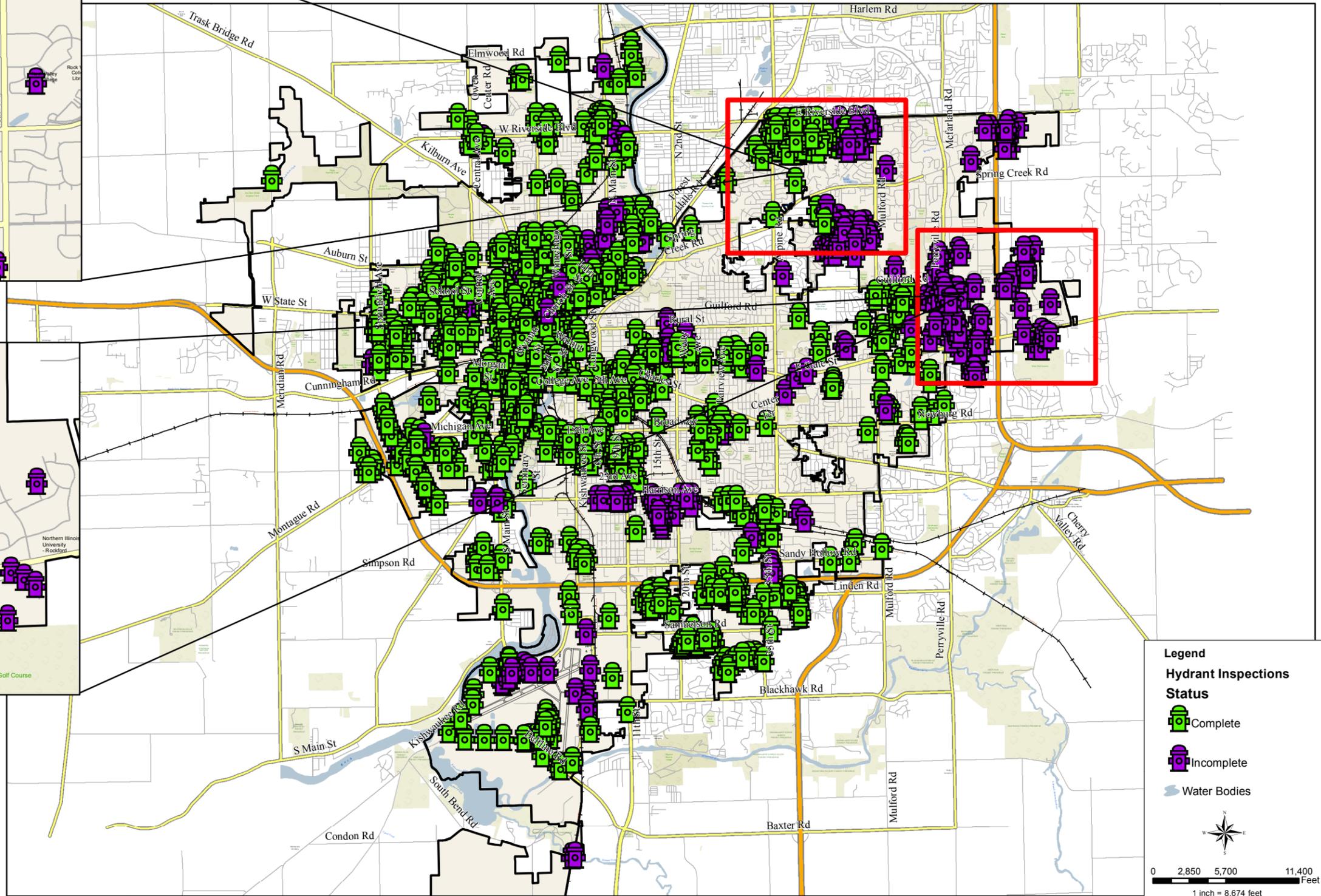
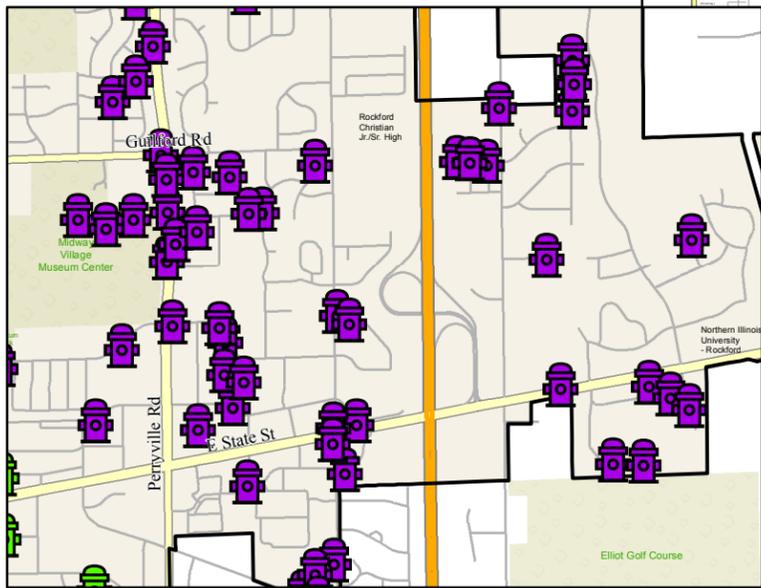


2017 FIREFLOW TESTING AND HYDRANT INSPECTION STATUS

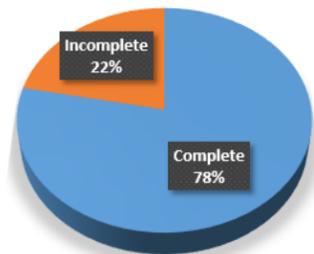
THIS WEEK'S FOCUS CREW 1



THIS WEEK'S FOCUS CREW 2



Fireflow Testing and Hydrant Inspection Status



- Legend**
- Hydrant Inspections Status**
- Complete
 - Incomplete
 - Water Bodies



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1 inch = 8,674 feet