

Power restored quickly following storms

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There were power outages throughout most of Georgetown and Glen Williams.

"All main feeders were back on by midnight (Friday)," said Skidmore. He added crews were busy throughout the weekend.

Three contractor crews were also brought in to help out.

He praised Hydro staff for their "monumental efforts" getting hydro restored to customers.

Skidmore said a Halton Hills Hydro crew was sent to Burlington on the weekend to help restore hydro there.

Michelle Lemme of Colonial Tree Service said they have been "swamped" with calls from area residents with trees and limbs down on their property since early Friday evening.

She said most of the calls have come in from Georgetown and Waterloo.

Lemme said crews have been working

around the clock.

"We just wish we could accommodate everybody," she said.

The Town of Halton Hills Public Works staff continues to clean up from the storm and it could take two weeks before they're done.

The Town is also completing other storm-related maintenance activities including clearing storm drains and replacing signs. Staff members are assessing trees on private property that were damaged in the storm to determine if they're structurally sound or need to be removed. Downed trees and branches that aren't a public safety hazard will be cleaned up when contractors can get to them.

"I want to thank our staff for their hard work in cleaning up the mess caused by this storm," said Mayor Rick Bonnette.

"Thanks as well to our residents for their patience. This is a big undertaking, but we are committed to completing this in a timely fashion."



A large limb from a tree snapped off in front of a Maple Avenue home during Friday's storm. Halton Region is enhancing its brush collection service until August 10 to aid in the cleanup. Photo by Eamonn Maher

Town, Region works crews working to clean up mess

Halton Region is enhancing its regular brush collection service until August 10.

Residents can place bulk brush out on their regular yard waste collection day. Dial 311 or visit Halton Region's website at www.halton.ca for more details. Residents are requested to pile branches on the boulevard on their collection day.

Following the regular collection of bulk brush by Hal-

ton Region, Town crews will make every effort to remove the remaining debris that was too large for the regular collection.

The Town asks that residents be patient as crews make the collections.

To report storm-related issues please contact the Town's Public Works division by calling 905-873-2601 ext. 2603 or email: inf@haltonhills.ca.

Halton Hills firefighters tape off an area of Cedarvale Park Friday after a series of violent thunderstorms brought down several large branches. The storms forced the cancellation of an Ontario Cup under-13 girls' soccer tournament game at Cedarvale.



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