



# Wheat Belt Public Power District Board of Directors Policy

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The District carries on an active program of tree trimming and tree removal from alongside of and beneath its power lines. The purpose of this program is to maintain the District's right-of-way in a condition consistent with our commitment to public safety and service reliability.

With the exception of emergencies or storm damage, tree trimming or removal work will be discussed with affected customers prior to starting any work that has aesthetic consequences for the customer's property. The District will trim or fall trees or other growth that poses a hazard to its facilities or operations at its own expense.

The District will, upon request and time permitting, assist customers as much as possible during normal working hours by trimming or falling trees that would be a hazard to the customers wiring. All such work shall be performed on a customer charge basis. The cost to the customer shall be sufficient to cover the District's labor, labor overhead, and transportation expense which was expended specifically for that work, and shall be levied as a flat per hour charge. The clean up and removal of the debris from such work shall be the responsibility of the customer. The District will fall trees or branches in the largest pieces that can be safely sawn. It is not the intention of the District to reduce the tree or branches into "fireplace" size logs.

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President

5.26.23

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