



# News Release

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## **AFC Crews working across the state to clear ice storm debris**

**LITTLE ROCK, ARK.** – The Arkansas Forestry Commission has been working closely with community leaders, fire departments and emergency personnel across the state to clear roadways and assist in providing generators to areas hard hit by this week's ice storm.

On Thursday, AFC personnel delivered a 10kw trailer mounted generator to Manila in Mississippi County, and two generators picked up from Camp Robinson to be used in the communities of Piggott in Clay County and Fox in Stone County. Five additional generators are to be given to Timbo, Dodd Mountain and Allison-Sylamore in Stone County, and Calico Rock and Pineville in Izard County. These communities are working to make arrangements to pick-up these generators from Camp Robinson today.

AFC chainsaw and dozer crews are working throughout the state:

- Two dozers and six AFC employees are working to remove debris in Craighead County. Plans are to move this crew to Clay County later today.
- Two dozer and chainsaw crews from Franklin and Logan Counties are working to clear debris from a roadway leading to an AWIN tower in northwest Franklin County.
- A dozer and chainsaw crew with personnel from Pope and Johnson Counties are working to clear debris from a roadway leading to an AWIN tower in southwest Newton County.
- 4 two-man chainsaw strike teams and a team leader, consisting of personnel from Logan, Scott, Sebastian, Johnson and Crawford Counties, are in Springdale.
- 3 two-man chainsaw strike teams and a team leader, consisting of personnel from the Greenbrier area, are in Harrison.
- 3 two-man chainsaw strike teams and a team leader, consisting of personnel from the Malvern area, are in Eureka Springs.

- Additional personnel from Benton, Boone, Carroll, Franklin, Fulton, Independence, Izard, Lawrence, Madison, Marion, Pope, Randolph, Sharp, Stone and Washington Counties are provided assistance throughout northern Arkansas.

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