

Tree & Plant Awareness

Hello,

We have been receiving a lot of phone calls in regard to our recent weather event. Everyone is asking what effect this will have on our Trees and Plants life expectancy. Below you will see a brief description and possible outcomes of our Trees and Plants future growth and what to expect over the next several months. Please keep in mind this weather event is unique and isolated in the fact that we have never experienced something of this magnitude at this exact time of year. We have had similar events in the past although times and temperatures have varied. This is a guide meant to help manage expectations and is in no way an exact science. At this time the best recommendation is to be patient. Due to the timing of this weather event everything was completely dormant. Due to the plants being dormant we believe this is our best chance of healthy plants recovering. There will be die back and rejuvenation pruning needed to help with this process. We also expect plant and tree loss. Trees and plants that were diseased or under stress may not make it. Certain species will be hit harder than others. Time will tell and we need to be patient as we go through this process. This may take several months and only then will we begin to better understand the effects of this winter storm.

Large Trees- (General)

Live Oaks- expect leaf drop (possible full defoliation of all leaves over the next several weeks) Live Oaks will shed the damaged leaves and put on new growth.

We believe full recovery on healthy trees is expected.

Red Oaks- Cedar Elms- Maples- B Pears-Hackberrys- Etc- We believe full recovery on healthy trees is expected.

Evergreens- expect some die back, some pruning will be necessary, this will most likely not have Buds this year. We believe full recovery on healthy trees is expected.

Perennials- cut out dead and damaged mush in April. Some plant loss expected.

Ornamentals- (Yaupons, Crepe Myrtles, Ect) expect some die back, some pruning will be necessary, this will most likely not have Buds this year. We believe full recovery on healthy trees is expected.

Please let me know if I can be of any assistance!

Thank you,

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