

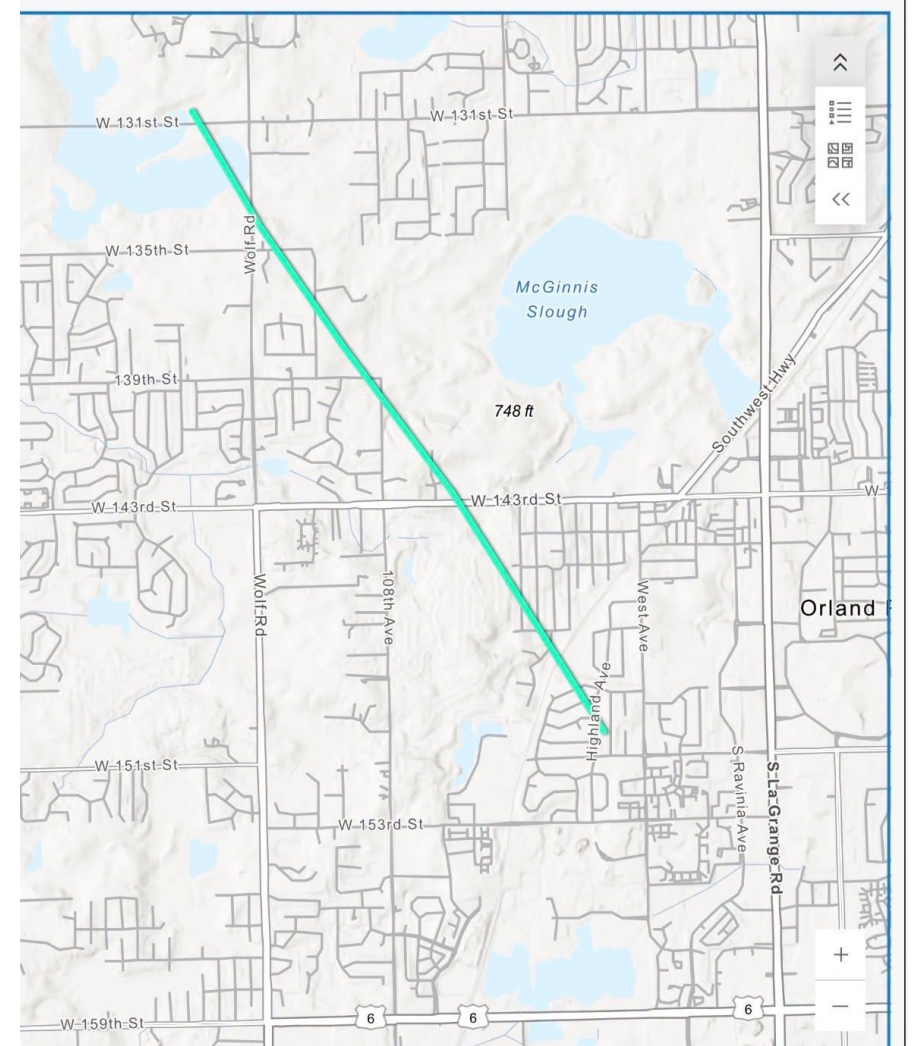


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Preliminary Storm Event Report

Incident Timeline

- On **Monday, July 27, 2026**, a severe weather system affected Orland Park.
- The National Weather Service confirmed an EF0 tornado (estimated 3 second wind gusts 65–85 mph) impacting western and northwestern areas of the Village.
- Village leadership maintained ongoing communication with ComEd as the utility worked to safely restore service.
- OP Alert auto launched to 51,145 contacts as soon as Tornado Warning polygon was issued for Orland Park at 12:11 p.m.
- Initial field actions began the same day, including:
 - Brush/chipper operations
 - Coordination with Waste Management for street sweeping



Public Safety & Operations

- **Police Traffic & Safety Measures:**
 - Police monitored affected intersections and issued safety guidance.
 - Motorists were reminded to treat nonfunctioning signals as four-way stops, slow down and give crews room to work.
 - The PD continued public updates regarding road closures, inoperable lights and wires/trees down.
- **EMA:**
 - EMA had 4 people onsite at the time of the tornado warning was issued.
 - Team quickly grew to 14 total within one hour of when it was safe to travel.

Public Safety & Operations

- **Public Works Debris Management & Service Status:**
 - Public Works began curbside chipper service immediately
 - Storm debris should be put at the curb by **Wednesday, Aug. 5.**
 - Residents were asked to place tree limbs curbside with cut ends facing the road, keep piles consolidated and avoid blocking sidewalks, hydrants, storm drains, mailboxes, utility poles and parked vehicles.
 - Public Works will be picking up storm debris only, other items should be disposed of with Waste Management.
 - Any pile placed after Aug. 5 should follow Waste Management's regular yard waste pick-up service or contact a tree vendor.
 - Expect delays in heavily impacted zones.
 - Crews will confirm all locations from phone calls/emails are addressed in each zone.
 - Waste Management yard-waste pickup criteria:
 - Kraft paper bags; brush cut into 4-ft lengths and bundled under 50 lbs.

Utilities & Partners (Interagency Coordination)

- The Village maintained continuous contact with ComEd during restoration efforts.
- Residents were directed to report downed power lines to ComEd at 1-800-EDISON1.
- To accelerate cleanup in the right-of-way, the Village is supplementing operations with contracted crews alongside Village crews.

Community Services & Outreach

- The Orland Park Police Department (15100 S Ravinia Ave.) operated as the Village's primary cooling center, offering air conditioning and access to electricity for charging medical equipment and phones.
- Residents were advised to bring essential medications and devices.
- Safety messaging emphasized caution around work zones and proper generator use (outdoors and away from windows) to prevent carbon monoxide buildup.
- For assistance, residents were directed to Public Works (708.403.6350) and the Police nonemergency line (708.349.4111).
- Residents were encouraged to sign up for OP Alert for future emergency notifications.

Initial Assessment of Impacts & Workload Indicators

- **Residents:**
 - Primary impacts involved power interruptions and storm related debris requiring curbside collection and street sweeping.
- **Traffic**
 - Signal outages and debris on roadways required traffic control and public advisories.
- **Parks/Facilities:**
 - Debris removal and site checks are ongoing
 - A refined facilities assessment will be provided once cleanup cycles conclude
 - Preliminary operations have focused on right-of-way, parkways and roadway sweeping.
 - Data collection in progress; no detailed damage metrics are available at this time.
- **Village Services**
 - Public Works started chipper service and coordinated with Waste Management for sweeping
 - Police and EMA maintained traffic safety and outreach
 - Police facility served as the cooling center.

Initial Assessment of Impacts & Workload Indicators

- Workload Indicators:
 - Formal counts (e.g., service tickets logged, limbs/trees cleared, blocked storm drains addressed) are being compiled and reconciled.
 - A detailed damage/workload summary will be compiled once field operations and data validation are complete.

Fiscal Tracking Approach

- Finance and operating departments are capturing event related costs using standard project/account coding for:
 - Labor and overtime
 - Contract services
 - Materials/supplies
 - Equipment utilization
- Staff will consolidate expenditures in an after-action financial update and, if applicable, evaluate eligibility for state and federal assistance programs.

How the Village Is Prioritizing Restoration & Cleanup

1. **Life Safety First:** Address downed wires, hazardous intersections, and immediate public safety concerns; direct residents to ComEd for downed lines.
2. **Access & Mobility:** Clear debris from travel lanes and intersections; issue traffic guidance; continue coordinated street sweeping to improve roadway safety.
3. **Neighborhood Debris Removal:** Sustain curbside chipper service through the announced end date; deploy contracted support to reduce backlogs and accelerate pickup.
4. **Resident Support:** Maintain cooling center availability and proactive outreach (phone lines, social media, OP Alert), emphasizing generator and work zone safety.
5. **Assessment & Reporting:** Compile service metrics and costs; prepare a comprehensive after action and fiscal report for Board review.

Next Steps

- **Continue field operations:** Chipper service and street sweeping through the scheduled periods; adjust crew assignments based on service request clusters.
- **Ongoing utility coordination with ComEd:** until full restoration is confirmed across all service areas.
- **Finalize metrics and fiscal capture:** reconcile service ticket counts, labor/overtime, contracted services, and materials/equipment.
- **Prepare a comprehensive after action report:** include refined damage assessment, operational lessons learned, and any recommended budget or policy adjustments for subsequent Board consideration.
- **Sustain resident communications:** continue safety messaging, OP Alert enrollment reminders, and hotline availability; coordinate posts via the Police and Village channels.