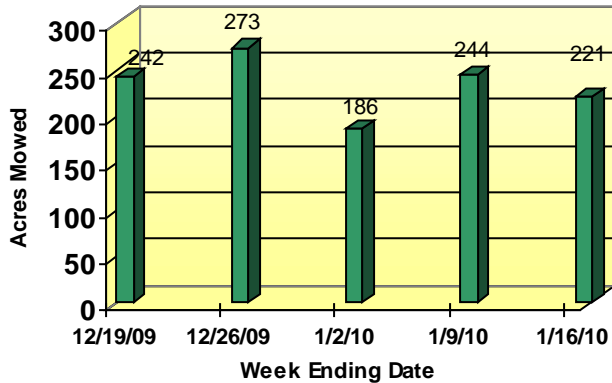


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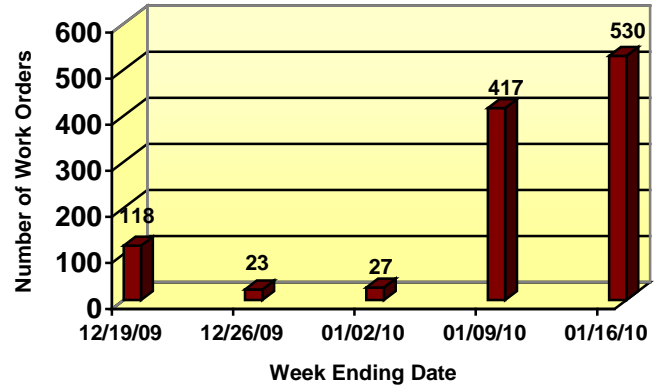
## Weekly Progress Report

### Week Ending January 16, 2010

**Grass Cutting Trends**



**Tree Work Orders Handled**



**Please Note:**

- We remain facility challenged. Because of the slow progress of the repair of Parkways' Gentilly Facilities, Grounds Maintenance is still operating out of the small Algiers Substation. This continues to pose logistical, productivity and security problems. Greenhouse continues to struggle with no power and no watering system.
- Armstrong Park is closed due to construction and we are NOT taking requests for rentals.
- Wedding photos were taken in Jackson Square on January 13<sup>th</sup>.
- Joe Brown Park is under construction and can not be rented for any events until further notice.
- Parkways' crew (4 man hours) removed signs from the neutral grounds citywide.
- Freezing temperatures caused severe damage to banana trees in Jackson Square. The damaged foliage was removed by Parkways' crews.
- Grounds Maintenance crews trimmed 53 trees along the West Bend Parkway corridor in Algiers.
- Grounds Maintenance crews prepare for a site visit to St. Bernard Recreation Center by Vice-President Joe Biden.
- Crews cleared the fence lines at Brechtel Park along Tullis Drive and removed the gingers on Bamboo Road.
- 292 man hours were lost due to rain, sick or annual leave and leave without pay.
- Grounds Maintenance crews are focusing on winter work items (trimming shrubs, invasive trees and weed removal, clearing sight hazards, etc.) as opposed to normal grass cutting.
- Note the increase in Tree Work Orders Handled: Parkways' Forestry Division trimmed 229 trees along the East Bank Mardi Gras parade routes.
- 35 tons of tree debris was generated and removed by Parkways' Forestry Division.

**Parks & Parkways (In-house Crews) Projected Schedule /Week Ending January 30<sup>th</sup>**

*Hendee Street	1.0	*Opelousas	2.0
*Gen. DeGaulle Blvd.	66.0	*Lennox Blvd./Kable Dr.	10.0
Comiskey Park – trim trees and remove debris.		Stalling Center – trim trees and fence lines	
		Paris Ave. – Trim trees	
<b>*If needed.</b>		<b>Total Acreage Scheduled</b>	<b>77.0</b>