

NPPD warns downed power lines can be deadly

(KLZA)-- During Severe Weather Awareness Week, Nebraska Public Power District (NPPD) wants to remind customers to be vigilant of downed power lines.

Severe storms with tornadoes, high winds, or ice can damage power poles and power lines, leaving them broken or lying on the ground.

If an individual notices a damaged power line during a storm, they should call 911 or their local utility, who will dispatch professionals to de-energize and safely repair the line.

If you are in a car and a power line or power pole has fallen on it, stay in the car until utility personnel arrive on the scene. If remaining in the car is not an option due to a fire or other unsafe conditions jump clear of the vehicle so that you land upright with your feet reaching the ground at the same time, and then shuffle away from the area.

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