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CITIZENS ENCOURAGED TO REPORT CROW SIGHTINGS AHEAD OF AND ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2024

The City of Watertown *strongly* encourages all its citizens to report crow sightings to Loomacres Wildlife Management at www.airportwildlife.com/crows.html. If you have recently seen crows roosting in your neighborhood, particularly at dusk or the early evening hours please share this information, as your reports will help disburse the nuisance crow flocks.

Loomacres receives real-time updates whenever its online reporting system receives a report, so sightings reported on or immediately before harassment nights are especially valuable to biologists in the field, as this information allows Loomacres to identify major roost locations and strategically target these parts of the City.

Please note that you do not need to fill out every field in the reporting form to submit your report; only those fields marked as required by a red asterisk. If you do not know some of the particular data points requested, such as GPS coordinates or wind, please feel free to leave those fields blank.

Loomacres will be continuing its efforts to haze nuisance crow flocks within the City during the evening hours of Thursday, February 22, 2024, so reports on or before Thursday will greatly assist those efforts.

The harassment methods used to disperse crows include pyrotechnics, lasers, air rifles and other devices. Several of these methods produce loud noises and flashing lights (similar to sirens and fireworks) that will frighten the birds and may be heard or observed by local residents. We apologize in advance for any disturbance due to the noise and light.

Media outlets inquiring about scheduling information or with any other general questions should contact the City Planning Department at (315) 785-7741.