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MAYOR EMANUEL INTRODUCES POTHOLE TRACKER THAT ALLOWS RESIDENTS TO TRACK PROGRESS ON POTHOLE REPAIRS

New Site Provides 7 Days of Pothole Repair Information

Mayor Rahm Emanuel today announced the City's new "Pothole Tracker", which allows Chicagoans to monitor a week's worth of pothole patching activity by the Chicago Department of Transportation (CDOT).

"The City of Chicago is filling thousands of potholes every day in response to resident requests for service," Mayor Emanuel said. "This new website tool allows residents to track the patching work in their neighborhoods and across Chicago."

Pothole Tracker, powered by the City's Open Data Portal at www.cityofchicago.org/potholetracker, gives Chicagoans a snapshot of the potholes that CDOT crews have filled during the past seven days.

On the Pothole Tracker site, each blue dot is a location where a resident has reported a pothole and CDOT crews have subsequently been busy repairing roadways. An information box on each dot provides the service request number, the date of the completed work and the total number of potholes repaired on each block.

Since the start of the new year, CDOT crews have patched more than 50,000 potholes in streets in alleys across Chicago, using 1,000 tons of asphalt patching material. In 2013, CDOT repaired more than 625,000 potholes. Developers interested in viewing the open dataset can visit here.

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Photo Caption: Mayor Rahm Emanuel uses his smartphone to demonstrate the new Pothole Tracker during a stop to thank CDOT crews filling potholes on North Marine Drive.

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