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Road conditions and winds hamper power restoration efforts

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Over 1,100 homes were without power this morning between North Platte and Cozad after another storm system dumped rain and wet snows on the area. A combination of ice on the power lines and winds caused lines to bat together and to gallop. When lines gallop, they swing wildly, which can break insulators, crossarms or even poles.

“We’re getting a lot of help from the County Road crews and from customers with large tractors. Their help has been crucial,” says Marsha Banzhaf, Public Relations Coordinator. “The deep snow has definitely been a problem today.”

As temperatures increase and winds decrease, crews will be able to make more progress on restoration.

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