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(S.D.)-Rapid City Storm Cleanup Cost In The Millions

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RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) - The cost of cleaning up Rapid City after an early October blizzard that dumped up to 4 feet of snow in western South Dakota could reach \$3 million.

The city spent \$200,000 removing about 2 1/2 feet of snow from city streets. There also are costs associated with debris cleanup and staff overtime.

Public Works Director Terry Wolterstorff says the city will have to dip into its cash reserves to cover the storm costs, but officials hope to eventually recoup much of the money through federal aid.

That would require a presidential disaster declaration for the region.

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