



Lake Valley Fire Protection District

Residential Slash Disposal Guidelines

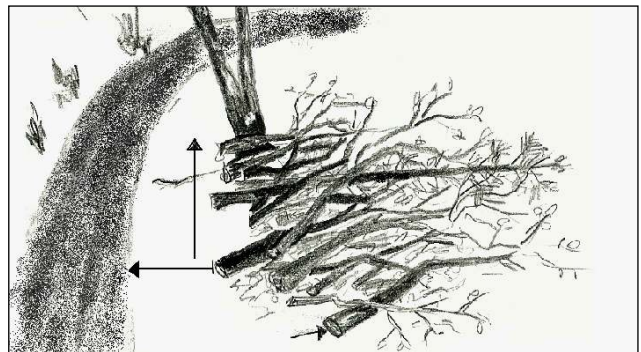
Create defensible space by clearing flammable vegetation according to the Living with Fire Guidelines for Homeowners. Publications are available at Lake Valley Fire Protection District Station No. 7 located at 2211 Keetak St. in Meyers. The information is also available on the web at www.livingwithfire.info/tahoe

Two Methods for Slash Disposal

1. **South Tahoe Refuse Recycle/Green Waste Curbside Program;** Please refer to the back of this handout
2. **Lake Valley Fire Chipping Program;** Please note changes to this year's program
 - Due to changes in funding the chipping program is no longer putting restrictions on pile sizes. Please refer to the back of this handout for slash that would be better disposed of through the South Tahoe Refuse Program.
 - Place slash and brush piles adjacent to a driveway or street so the chipper and crew can readily have access.
 - Please place piles in an area where equipment can be easily turned around (see photo and diagram below).
 - **Decayed, dried out branches and shrubs should be disposed of through the South Tahoe Refuse Program.**
 - It is easier and more efficient to chip the piles if they are stacked wider and more spread out rather than taller.
 - Place the cut ends facing out toward the driveway or road where the chipper will be parked (see photo and diagram below).
 - The chipper can handle material up to **6 inches in diameter** (no root balls). The equipment does not chip small branches that require raking. The chipper cannot chip piles of pine needles, pine cones, or leaves. **This material should be disposed of through the South Tahoe Refuse Program**
 - Piles must be free of trash including rocks, dirt, wires, and lumber.
 - After placing your pile, please call **(530) 577 CHIP (2447)** to put your name on the list.
 - All chips will be left in a pile.

Free chipping is provided by the Lake Valley Fire Protection District to county and Fallen Leaf residents. Funding is provided by the Cal Fire SRA Fee Grant in conjunction with the Tahoe Regional Conservation District.

Thank you for helping to make our community fire safe





South Tahoe Refuse Co.

Recycle Green Waste Guidelines

South Tahoe Refuse is implementing a curbside yard waste recycling program for California residential customers where all your bags of pine needles and other yard waste will be transferred each week to the new Resource Recovery Facility on Eloise Ave. All material will be recycled into mulch and compost for local erosion, re-vegetation and composting programs.

Recycle Green Waste Guidelines

- Residential customers should place bags of yard waste at curbside on your regular collection day.
- Pine needles must be bagged or in clearly identified trash cans and should weigh not more than 40 lbs.
- Slash, brush and trimmed tree branches must be bundled and tied with twine, string or other natural rope (no nylon, please) into 3 foot lengths. Bundles must weigh less than 40 lbs.
- Small slash, bark and chips less than 2-3" in diameter must be bagged or in clearly identified trash cans and weigh less than 40 lbs.
- All yard waste materials must be clean of all trash, including rocks, dirt, wires and plastic.
- All material must be adjacent to your trash on regularly scheduled collection day.
- South Tahoe Refuse will collect your recyclable materials each week (with a maximum of 2 yards per week), sort and process them.

This recycling program significantly increases the beneficial use of our homeowner's efforts towards creating Defensible Space by making use of our own natural and native materials.

Reducing flammable vegetation around our homes will also reduce the threat of wildfire in our neighborhoods.

GREENWASTE RECYCLING



40lb Bags



3ft Bundles

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CLEAN AND GREEN**

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