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FREE Greenwaste Drop-Off Days For Placer County Residents from Colfax to Tahoe

Put away the snow shovels and get out the clippers and rakes - spring has sprung! With spring comes the evidence of just how much greenwaste that blanket of snow has been hiding. "Removing yard waste and woody debris early is critical to creating defensible space for the upcoming fire season," Placer County's District 5 Supervisor Jennifer Montgomery said.

Placer County's Department of Facility Services and the Office of Emergency Services are sponsoring free greenwaste drop-off events, beginning in May and continuing through July, to help eligible residents dispose of the following materials:

- Tree limbs, brush & bark
- Pine needles & cones
- Dry grass & dead leaves
- Yard trimmings

Three one-week drop-off periods will be held at the Eastern Regional Materials Recovery Facility (MRF), located at 900 Cabin Creek Road, off Highway 89 between Truckee and Squaw Valley, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.:

- May 20 – 25
- June 17 – 22
- July 15 – 20

While multiple trips are permitted, a maximum of six yards total, per property owner, will be accepted over the course of the three one-week drop-off periods.

Eligibility for these free disposal dates at the MRF requires participants to unload their own greenwaste. If greenwaste is bagged, participants will need to empty the bags themselves.

In addition to the three one-week drop-off periods at the MRF, a one-day drop-off event will be held at three locations on Saturday, June 22, from 7:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

- Tahoe City - North Tahoe High School (near Bus Barn)
- Homewood – South Lodge (Tahoe Ski Bowl)
- North Tahoe – Regional Park (Snow Park Area)

A limit of three yards of greenwaste will be accepted at the one-day event.

Take advantage of these free disposal opportunities that would otherwise cost customers \$5.90/yard at the MRF or per bag if left on the curb (unincorporated areas) with their regularly scheduled garbage collection.

How much is a yard? A standard pickup bed filled level is about 2.5 yards, 3 yards is about 20 bags, and six yards is about 40 bags. Please make sure loads do not include any food waste, pet waste, dirt, sod, rocks, or construction waste.

Be prepared to show a photo ID with a physical address in Placer County or an out-of-town photo ID with a local utility bill.

For more information please call (530) 583-7800.