

Green Waste Chipping Program coming to Grizzly Flats

Week of May 20, 2024!!!



You must request this service in advance of the chipping contractor coming to Grizzly Flats!
<https://www.edcfiresafe.org/chipper-program/>

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Please read the instructions below before submitting your

"Request for Chipping".

1. This program is only available on the western slope of El Dorado County.
2. Program is limited to two visits per calendar year per address.
3. Program is limited to six hours of chipping per address on one visit.
4. This program is intended to help you create defensible space (maximum 100 feet or to property line) around your primary residence. It is not to be used for clearing acreage or vacant parcels except when used to comply with the El Dorado County Vegetation Management Ordinance Good Neighbor Policy.
5. Chips will be blown back onto your property.
6. Limbs larger than 7" in diameter will not be accepted.

Please complete all of your work before submitting a request. Valuable chipping time and grant money is wasted responding to requests when the material is not ready. If your work is not complete when the chipper arrives it may be some time before it can return and the chipping time will be reduced to five hours.

Create defensible space by clearing brush 100' from buildings (or to property line) and 20' from driveways. Please refer to the CAL FIRE's Defensible Space web page (<https://www.fire.ca.gov/dspace>) for further guidance on creating defensible space. Location of service must contain participants' primary residence except when used to comply with the El Dorado County (EDC) Vegetation Management ordinance Good Neighbor Policy (<https://www.edcgov.us/Government/CAO/vegetation-management-faq>).

- Place brush piles so the chipping machine and crew can have access. The piles need to be adjacent to a driveway, road or street and all the cut ends need to be facing the same direction and facing the driveway, road or street. Piles placed in fields will not be chipped. Preferably pile brush on the uphill side. Do not place piles along busy, heavily traveled roadways, where signage or additional crew would be required by County or State Code for safety. This is not covered under the Fire Safe Council's contract. Also, when placing the brush piles place it in an area that will be out of your way and in a location where there is access for the equipment to turn around. Refer to the picture for an example of the equipment.
- Recently removed vegetation will chip better than old dried out branches and shrubs.
- It is easier and more efficient to chip the piles if they are wider and spread out rather than taller. Please follow the illustration below for additional instruction on preparing your piles.
- The chipper can handle material up to 7" in diameter (no root balls). The equipment does not chip individual branches that are small (rakings) or old-decayed wood well.

Your piles should look like the one in the picture below. Improperly stacked or located piles may not be chipped.

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