

DEFENSIBLE SPACE

chipping program

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The Calaveras Foothills Fire Safe Council has secured grant funding through the Pacific Gas and Electric CEMA Grant Funding to provide a no cost residential chipping program.

The Calaveras Foothills Fire Safe Council (CFFSC) is grateful to Pacific Gas and Electric for this funding. For more information on our Fire Safe Council please visit our website at calaverasfiresafecouncil.org



DO'S

- Create defensible space up to 100 feet from structures and 30 feet from access roads
- Cut ends must face the same direction, and pointing out towards the road or driveway
- Locate piles on level ground or uphill side of road
(not downhill or in a ditch)
- The piles must be within 5' of a road
- Overall height of the pile should not exceed 4 feet
- Each individual piece must be less than 8" in diameter and no shorter than 3 feet (longer is better)
- Please complete the back side of this form when all piles are accurately stacked and ready to be chipped
- You may mail or email this form

DONT'S

- Piles must be free of all roots/stumps and dirt
- Piles must be free of scotch broom
- Piles must be free of all non-vegetative materials
- Piles must be free of poison oak
- Piles must be free of blackberries
- Piles must be free of vines
- Not able to chip piles of leaves, pine needles, and yard clippings

STEP 1 OF 5

1. Complete piles of vegetation to be chipped by following the guidelines set above.
2. Complete the CFFSC's application for Chipping services.
3. CFFSCs contractor will contact you directly for scheduling. Do not contact the CFFSC for questions regarding scheduling.
4. Chipping will be scheduled when there are enough applications in your area to be feasible.

! Remember no Pine Needles or Vines

STEP 2 OF 5

Name: _____
Phone: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ Zip: _____
Email: _____
Nearest Cross Street: _____
Assessor's Parcel Number: _____
Are you a property owner? Yes No
If not, state name: _____
Driving Directions: Please provide details and or a map: _____

STEP 5 OF 5

By signing below, I agree to the following terms and conditions:

1. I agree to admit the **CFFSC** private contractor onto my property.
2. I agree to have the material chipped back onto my property.
3. I understand that the contractor has final authority in determining if piles are suitable for chipping.
4. I understand that if the pile is not prepared to our specifications, it will not be chipped.
5. I understand that the contractor makes final scheduling decisions.
6. I agree to comply with the contractor's decision where to place the chips, as safety is their number one concern.
7. I understand that the **CFFSC** is not obligated to perform this service and the **CFFSC** is not liable for its failure to perform this service or for the negligent performance of this service.
8. I understand that I **WILL NOT** be called the day my piles are to be chipped.

STEP 3 OF 5

Chipping Information

Total number of piles: _____
(contractor will not chip in excess of amount listed)
Average Pile Size: Width (*front to back*): _____
Length (*side to side*): _____
Height (*top to bottom*): _____ (*not to exceed 4 feet*)
Where is the material?:
 Driveway County Road Private Road
Are there any special precautions to take on the property? _____

! PLEASE NOTE: Piles must be established along roadways or driveways.

STEP 4 OF 5

Answers to the following questions are required to obtain funding for chipping service:

What would you do with this material if this chipping program were not available?
 Burn It
 Take to Transfer Station / Miles _____ (*round-trip*)
 Leave on Property
 Rent a Chipper
How many hours did it take to prep the piles?

Did you hire someone to cut and stack materials for you? Yes No
If so, how much did it cost? _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

The CFFSC reserves the right to refuse service to anyone.