

Chipping Do's & Don'ts

Thank you for signing up for this year's chipping efforts! CCME works in conjunction with 4Mile Fire to drive around our community with the county chipper to help chip any unwanted slash from your property. In this, we will go over what is, and is not, allowed for Chipping Days.

Chipping's (aka "slash") should be in neat piles at the road where they can easily be reached. Piles should not be larger than 6' x 6', and limbs must be laid into piles so that the larger ends are pointed towards the road. There is no limit on the number of piles you put out.



Materials Guidelines

Accepted materials include: trees, logs, and branches up to 6in in diameter that is free of nails and wire. The following are restricted materials:

- No construction or building materials, treated lumber, fence posts, or signs
- No shrubs, root wads, stumps, dirt, or rocks. These clog & damage the chipping equipment
- No grass clippings, trash, weeds, or bags of leaves.

Pile Guidelines

Piles must be stacked prior to 4Mile coming to your property. Improperly stacked piles may not be identified or collected. Stack piles neatly (no bags), with the large cut ends facing the road. Place piles within 5 feet of the roadway, but not touching the road. After crews remove your pile(s), clear away any remaining branches, needles, and debris. Do not combine piles with neighbors or place in other neighborhoods lots. **NOTE: 4Mile will NOT** climb embankments to chip your slash. Place stacks at street level.

These photos show how not to pile your chippings. Ground debris such as small sticks, old dried up bushes, rotten logs, stumps, etc. is bad for the chipper as it most likely also contains dirt and rocks that can damage the chipper.

These piles are also not neatly stacked and are just thrown in a pile on the ground

