

2024 CHIPPING PROGRAM CHANGES PREVIEW

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- In partnership with Truckee Fire Protection District, street-side pile pickup will now be facilitated by the District and in line with the rest of the Town of Truckee
- Funded through Measure T parcel tax
- Benefits include:
 - Extended pickup season, May (snow melt) – October 31
 - Anticipate improved pickup times, within 2 weeks
 - Three grapple trucks will service the community

MEMBER EXPERIENCE

- All piles will continue to require a reservation
- Truckee Fire Protection will manage the pile registrations, operations, and associated customer service
- Program information and 2024-26 contract RFP is available at truckeefire.org/greenwaste
- This enhancement will allow Forestry staff to refocus resources on enhanced fuel reduction and other important forest health projects within Tahoe Donner and in our most vulnerable landscapes





TAHOE DONNER'S ROLE IN GREEN WASTE DISPOSAL

FORESTRY PROGRAM INVOLVEMENT

- Truckee Fire Protection District will deliver all curbside piles and green waste to the TD Forestry department
- Curbside green waste piles will be combined with large-scale fuel reduction material and processed
- Tahoe Donner has a long-standing and cost-efficient green waste disposal contract
- Staff are analyzing future alternatives to disposal



KEY TAKEAWAYS FOR CHIPPING CHANGES

- All properties are required to make a reservation for any chipping piles
 - Consistent with 2023, the same reservation software
 - Stacking requirements do not change
 - Can be reserved on the TD or Truckee Fire websites
 - If a member makes a reservation, they may not even be aware the pickup is facilitated by a different team
- Members will enjoy a longer pickup season and quicker pickup from the time of reservation
- The Association will repurpose the funds allocated for chipping pickup to progress on the Tahoe Donner Forest Management Plan, which creates fuel reduction zones and fire breaks to create a safer community (among other key projects in the plan)
- A robust member communication campaign is being developed but the most important part is all chipping piles require a reservation



THANK YOU

