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Public Works Initiates Annual Christmas Tree Recycling Program

County residents can recycle their unwanted Christmas tree at various County locations

'Tis to the season to recycle, fa-la-la-la-la, la-la-la-la! As we celebrate this holiday season, decking the halls with boughs of holly and decorating Christmas trees that stand in splendid beauty. At Public Works, we also keep in mind the farewell side of the holiday season by supporting residents with an opportunity to recycle one of the main centerpieces of the season, the Christmas tree!

Every year, Kern County Public Works promotes the Christmas Tree Recycling Program that runs from Saturday, December 26, 2020, through Sunday, January 10, 2021. This program encourages residents throughout the county to recycle their Christmas trees at various county and partnership locations and prevent trees from being illegally dumped or improperly recycled in the residential greenwaste container.

Kern County residents can recycle their Christmas trees in one of the following ways:

1. In the Metro Bakersfield area, residents can place Christmas trees into their greenwaste container, as long as the tree is **cut into small pieces to fit in your container and the container lid must be able to securely close**. Whole trees are not accepted. Not in Metro Bakersfield? Check with your local hauler to see what options are available!
2. Residents can self-haul whole Christmas trees to one of 24 drop-off locations throughout Kern County (see attached list) from December 26, 2020, to January 10, 2021.
3. Compost at Home! Your Christmas tree can be cut up and used in your compost pile as part of your healthy compost mix. Make sure it is free of flocking or other contaminants!

If you prefer to take your Christmas trees to one of the drop-off locations, please tarp and secure your load properly. **Don't forget to remove all ornaments, lights, other decorations, and the tree stand prior to dropping off your Christmas tree.**

Attachment: 2020 Kern County Christmas Tree Recycling Drop-Off Locations

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2020 CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING DROP-OFF LOCATIONS

Available December 26, 2020 – January 10, 2021

Please Remove Tree Stands, Nails, and Decorations – NO BAGS PLEASE

Arvin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ DiGiorgio Park - Corner of Meyer St. & Haven Drive ➤ Bena Landfill - 2951 Neumarkel Rd., 17 miles East of Bakersfield, off Hwy 58 at Tower Line Rd (7 Days: 8AM-4PM)
Bakersfield	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Bena Landfill - 2951 Neumarkel Rd., 17 miles East of Bakersfield, off Hwy 58 at Tower Line Rd (7 Days: 8AM-4PM) ➤ Shafter/Wasco Landfill – 17621 Scofield Rd., 8 miles West of Shafter (7 Days: 8AM-4PM) ➤ Bakersfield Green Waste Facility – 2601 S Mt. Vernon Ave, 2 miles S of Hwy 58 ➤ Bakersfield College – Corner of Haley & University in Bakersfield ➤ Kern County Fairgrounds – “P” Street Parking Lot in Bakersfield
Boron	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Boron Landfill – 11400 Boron Ave, ½ mile South of Boron (Sun-Thurs 12PM-4PM, Sat 8AM-4PM)
Buttonwillow	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Shafter/Wasco Landfill – 17621 Scofield Rd., 8 miles West of Shafter (7 Days: 8AM-4PM) ➤ Taft Landfill – 13351 Elk Hills Rd. 4 miles N of Taft & 1-mile N of Hwy 119 (Mon/Wed/Fri/Sat 8AM-4PM, Sun 12PM-4PM)
California City	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Boron Landfill – 11400 Boron Ave, ½ mile South of Boron (Sun-Thurs 12PM-4PM, Sat 8AM-4PM) ➤ Mojave/Rosamond Landfill – 400 Silver Queen Rd., 5 miles S of Mojave (Sun/Tue/Thu 8AM-12PM, Mon/Wed/Fri/Sat 8AM-4PM)
Delano	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ McFarland/Delano Transfer Station – 11249 Stradley Ave, 1-mile S of Delano (8am-4pm Mon, Thu, Fri, Sat, Sun) ➤ City of Delano Corporation Yard – 725 S Lexington St, Delano
Frazier Park	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Lebec Transfer Station - 300 Landfill Rd., off Lebec Rd., I-5 to Lebec exit in Lebec (9am-5pm Mon, Thu, Fri, Sat, Sun)
Kern Valley	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Kern Valley Transfer Station – 6092 Wulstein Way, 4 miles S of Kernville off Sierra Hwy
Lamont	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Bena Landfill - 2951 Neumarkel Rd., 17 miles East of Bakersfield, off Hwy 58 at Tower Line Rd (7 Days: 8AM-4PM) ➤ Bakersfield Green Waste Facility – 2601 S Mt. Vernon Ave, 2 miles S of Hwy 58
Lebec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Lebec Transfer Station - 300 Landfill Rd., off Lebec Rd., I-5 to Lebec exit in Lebec (9am-5pm Mon, Thu, Fri, Sat, Sun)
Maricopa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Taft Landfill – 13351 Elk Hills Rd. 4 miles N of Taft & 1-mile N of Hwy 119 (Mon/Wed/Fri/Sat 8AM-4PM, Sun 12PM-4PM)
McFarland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ McFarland/Delano Transfer Station – 11249 Stradley Ave, 1-mile S of Delano (8am-4pm Mon, Thu, Fri, Sat, Sun)
Mojave	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Mojave/Rosamond Landfill – 400 Silver Queen Rd., 5 miles S of Mojave (Sun/Tue/Thu 8AM-12PM, Mon/Wed/Fri/Sat 8AM-4PM)
Ridgecrest	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Ridgecrest Landfill – 3301 W Bowman Rd., 5 miles S of Mojave in Ridgecrest (Mon-Sun 8AM-4PM) ➤ WMI – 237 Count Line Road (Monday-Friday 7AM-4PM)
Rosamond	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Mojave/Rosamond Landfill – 400 Silver Queen Rd., 5 miles S of Mojave (Sun/Tue/Thu 8AM-12PM, Mon/Wed/Fri/Sat 8AM-4PM) ➤ 1731 Sierra Highway (Monday-Friday 7AM-4PM)
Shafter	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Shafter/Wasco Landfill – 17621 Scofield Rd., 8 miles West of Shafter (7 Days: 8AM-4PM) ➤ 1251 East Ash Avenue, Shafter
Taft	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Taft Landfill – 13351 Elk Hills Rd. 4 miles N of Taft & 1-mile N of Hwy 119 (Mon/Wed/Fri/Sat 8AM-4PM, Sun 12PM-4PM) ➤ City of Taft Collection Site – 274 E Cedar Street at Westside Waste in Taft ➤ Alley collection for Taft City residents
Tehachapi	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Tehachapi Landfill – 12001 E Tehachapi Blvd (Mon-Sat 8AM-4PM, Sun 8AM-12PM) ➤ WMI – 416 North Dennison Road (M-F 7:30-3:30 & Sat 8-12) ➤ Bear Valley Springs – Bear Valley Springs Solid Waste Transfer Station in BVS
Wasco	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Shafter/Wasco Landfill – 17621 Scofield Rd., 8 miles West of Shafter (7 Days: 8AM-4PM) ➤ Vacant Lot – Corner of Annin Ave and Gromer Ave in Wasco ➤ Wasco Green Waste Facility – 5201 7th St., 2 miles W of Wasco (Tue, Thurs, Sat, 8AM-5PM)

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