



Washington County Storm Debris Solutions

A severe storm can interrupt day-to-day operations, including transportation and garbage and recycling collection services.

In the event of a **government-declared disaster**, residents should listen for instructions from local government broadcasts through the media (radio, TV newscasts) and on websites. Debris generated from disasters such as severe wind storms may be collected at multiple areas located throughout the Metro region once the initial event has passed and it is safe for the public to travel. However, it's also possible that this material will still be collected most effectively as part of the curbside collection system.

Residents who have storm debris may want to clear their property of woody and vegetative debris following the event. Residents can do so by using their curbside yard debris service, by self-hauling debris and garbage to collection sites or landfills, or by making arrangements with their hauler to provide a drop box or other type of container to collect and dispose of the debris (for a fee). See drop box services information below.

Severe weather may impact or delay curbside garbage and recycling collection service. Washington County garbage and recycling collectors will resume collection routes as soon as it is safe for their employees and equipment to operate. Generally, information related to the status of solid waste (garbage) and recycling (including yard debris) collection service is made available through local media outlets.

Preparing Vegetative Storm Debris for Collection at the Curb

If properly prepared, vegetative storm debris may be collected by your regular hauler on regularly scheduled yard debris pick-up days. Residents with garbage collection service and yard debris collection service should do the following:

- Set out storm debris for regularly scheduled yard debris pickup.
- Contents may include leaves, grass clippings, weeds and branches less than 4" thick and 36" long.
- Place materials at the curb in yard debris receptacles, 30-gallon Kraft bags or bundled together with twine. Additional fees will apply for extra bags or bundles.
- Stockpile excess debris and set it into a yard debris container over the next several collection dates.

Maximum container weight:

- ✓ 120 lbs for 60-gallon roll carts
- ✓ 60 lbs for 32-gallon roll carts
- ✓ 45 lbs for 30-gallon roll carts or extra bags/bundles

Yard Debris Depots

Residents *without* yard debris service can take debris to a local yard debris depot. Yard debris *does not* include dirt, sod, stumps, metal, rocks, ashes, or treated wood or lumber. These materials will not be accepted as yard debris. Contact one of the local yard debris depots listed below to determine which materials are accepted, hours of operation, disposal fees and directions.

Yard Debris Drop-Off Locations in Washington County
<p>Best Buy in Town 2200 NW Cornelius Pass Rd. Hillsboro, OR 97124 (503) 645-6665 www.bestbuyintown.biz/index.htm</p>
<p>Grimms Fuel Company 18850 SW Cipole Tualatin, OR 97062 (503) 692-3756 www.grimmsfuel.com/recycling.htm</p>
<p>Lakeside Landfill 14930 SW Vandermost Rd. Beaverton, OR 97007 503-628-1866</p>
<p>S&H Landscape Products & Supply 1748 NE 25th Ave. Hillsboro, OR 97124 (503) 846-0881 www.compostproducts.com/</p>
<p>Metro Transfer Stations & Recycling (located in Portland & Oregon City)</p> <p>Metro Central 6161 NW 61st Ave. Portland, OR 97210 (503) 234-3000 www.OregonMetro.gov</p> <p>Metro South 2001 Washington Street Oregon City, OR (503) 234-3000 www.OregonMetro.gov</p>
<p>Nature's Needs 9570 NW 307th Ave. North Plains, OR 97210 (503) 647-9489 www.naturesneeds.com/</p>
<p>Northwest Environmental Recycling 1045 N. Fourth Ave. Cornelius, OR 97113 (503) 357-6090 www.nercompost.com/</p>
<p>Pride Disposal/Recycling Depot 13980 SW Tualatin-Sherwood Rd. Sherwood, OR 97140 503-625-6177 www.pridedisposal.com/home/index.php</p>
<p>Tualatin Valley Waste Recovery 3205 SE Minter Bridge Rd. Hillsboro, OR 97124 (503) 640-9427 www.wm.com/index.jsp</p>

Other Solutions

Drop Box Services

Your local hauler can provide a drop box (for a fee) to help remove large piles of debris. If the box is used to dispose of **yard debris only**, then the material can be taken to a compost facility rather than to a landfill. Contact your hauler for more information on services and rates.

Online link for recycling drop-off locations within the metropolitan area for non-vegetative materials: www.OregonMetro.gov/findarecycler.