

DEFENSIBLE SPACE

chipping program

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The Fire Safe Council of Nevada County is a Non-Profit Organization.

The chipping program is no longer funded solely by grants. We now rely on a suggested donation of \$50 per hour from chipping customers, membership dues and the generous donations of local businesses and Nevada County residents. Your donation is much appreciated and is vital in keeping the chipping program going.



refer to our website at www.areyoufiresafe.com or call the office at 530-272-1122 Please consider making a donation to support the council's programs.

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 not 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 fax, mail or email this form
- Make a donation to secure grants to fund the program

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
- The FSCNC is not able to chip piles of leaves, pine needles, or yard clippings (Curb side collection is available through Waste Management 888-964-9747)
- The FSCNC will not chip for timber harvest projects or vacant lots

STEP 1 OF 5

Chipping is competed on a six to eight week rotation throughout all the different neighborhoods. To find your neighborhood find the first two digits of your APN below.

- Grass Valley** (06, 07, 08, 09, 22, 29) **Nevada City**(04, 05, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39)
- Cedar Ridge/Peardale** (12, 28, 65) **Rough & Ready** (52)
- Alta Sierra** (11, 20, 21, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 54, 55, 56, 57) **Penn Valley** (02, 30, 50, 51, 53)
- North San Juan** (01, 03, 31, 32, 60, 61, 62, 63) **Nevada City/Washington** (14, 64)

**Become a Sustaining Member
to receive priority chipping!**

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 FSCNC chipping crew onto my property.
2. I agree to have the material chipped back onto my property.
3. I understand that the FSCNC 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 trustee labor supervised by FSCNC staff will be used.
6. I understand that the FSCNC makes final scheduling decisions.
7. I agree to comply with the FSCNC's decision where to place the chips, as safety is their number one concern.
8. I understand that the FSCNC is not obligated to perform this service and the FSCNC is not liable for its failure to perform this service or for the negligent performance of this service.
9. 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? _____

Is there room to turn chipper around? _____

! PLEASE NOTE: Piles must be established along roadways or driveways with adequate turnaround area for chipping equipment.

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 FSCNC reserves the right to refuse service to anyone.