How to Prepare for

Wood Chipping

Important Information

- Pile the wood waste approximately 50 meters away from any public roads, residential houses, structures or vehicles, and approximately 150 meters from any public gathering places, such
- Raw wood waste must be in an area where you want the wood chips piled. The program administrator and the chipping contractor are not responsible for moving the wood chip piles after the chipping process is complete.
- If your wood waste is slated to be chipped when fruit is ripening on adjacent trees, ensure the wood waste is piled at least 30 meters away so flying debris from the chipping process does not damage the fruit.
- Pile wood waste in an area where it can be left for up to three months. Delays in the chipping program may occur because of weather or other unforeseen circumstances. If you have been accepted into the program, the wood waste will be chipped within a reasonable amount of time. The chipping contractor is not responsible for moving any wood waste that has been piled for this program.
- Clearly mark irrigation lines or anything underground that you don't want equipment to drive on.
- After wood waste has been chipped, do not handle the wood chip pile(s) until after the program administrator surveys them to determine volumes. This is how we determine how much to pay the chipping contractor. Surveying usually
- occurs within one or two days of chipping. a program employee will contact you as soon as the surveying is complete and then you can use the chips as you wish
- You are responsible for storage and use of the resulting wood chips. Please be aware that large wood chip piles are flammable. Please spread out large piles of wood chips immediately after they have been surveyed by the a program administrator.

The program administrator is not responsible for any problems associated with the wood chips left on your property.

• Program administrators and chipping contractors have the right to refuse any chipping job deemed unsafe.



Contact the program coordinator before pulling! Call 250 469-8408 and register for the free chipping program.



Pull out unwanted orchard trees. Tree roots must be free of rocks and dirt. Failure to remove rocks and dirt will result in additional fees or refusal of chipping.



Cut trees approximately two or three feet above the root ball

Large trees should be cut in half and de-limbed.

Peel tree "like a banana".

The Red arrows in the above image show where to properly de-limb your trees.



Step 4 Have an excavator or tractor create windrows of pulled Trees.



Ensure the excavator makes one pile for every acre of trees pulled.



Step 6 Pile wood waste on level ground that is easily accessible for large equipment.
Piles that are inaccessible to the chipper and excavator will not be chipped.



Step 7 Do not move or use wood chips until the program administrator surveys the pile!

PLEASE CALL THE PROGRAM COORDINATOR BEFORE YOU PULL! 250 469-8408