

Trinity County Resource Conservation District

-- Free Chipping Offered for Fuels Reduction Projects --

TCRCD is offering *free* chipping for homeowners and landowners who are involved in fuels reduction projects.

Certain criteria must be met to qualify:

- **Due to limited funding this service will be limited to situations where active fuels reduction projects have been or are being conducted.**
- The project will provide chipping services to landowners in Trinity County who are implementing fuels reduction work adjacent to, or close to, National Forest lands of the Shasta-Trinity and Six Rivers National Forests.
- Branches must be stacked with all cut ends facing in the same direction. Piles not stacked in this manner cannot be chipped.
- Stacks may be no more than 4 feet high. Try to make them 4 feet wide and about 8 feet long. Ideally, stacks should be approximately 4x4x8.



Good Stacking



Unacceptable

- Stacks **must** be entirely free of nails, wire, rocks, roots and root wads, mud, poison oak, scotch broom, and berry vines.
- Stacks must be placed in an accessible area and situated so chipping equipment can be placed next to the cut ends of the branches. This expedites work and means more people can be served by the program.
- Unpaved driveways over 16% grade are inaccessible to the truck and chipper.

If you are unable to accomplish the work necessary to prepare for this free chipping service, the RCD may be able to provide a crew to perform thinning, limbing, moving and stacking of materials under a fee-for-service contract, plus travel time.

Remaining wood chips, which are not hauled away, make great mulch and ground cover to prevent erosion.

Please contact the TCRCD at (530) **623-6004** for a chipping request form or to receive more information. Further information is available at www.tcrcd.net.

**Trinity County Resource Conservation District
Community Chipping Request Form**

Name: _____ Telephone: _____

Address: _____

Nearest Cross Street: _____

Are you the owner of the property? Yes No Owners Name: _____

Chipping: Number of piles _____ Size of Piles _____ X _____ X _____

Type of material in piles? _____

Where is the material? County road Driveway Other _____

What would you do with this material if this program were not available?

Burn it Chip it myself Leave it on the property

Take it to the Transfer Station How many miles (round trip) would that be? _____

How many hours have you spent preparing for this program? _____

Estimated Area Treated by Landowner: _____

I have complied with the stacking requirements and have met the minimum amount necessary, and my piles are ready to be chipped. I give my permission for TCRCD to chip this material.

Signature _____

Date: _____

Pre-Inspection Notes:

Contractors Notes:

Photos taken of treated area __ Yes __ No

**Return to TCRCD, P.O. Box 1450, Weaverville, CA 96093 or FAX (530) 623-6006
THANK YOU FOR CARING FOR THE LAND**