

# Free Chipping - Tuesday, May 26, 2020

Yosemite West Property & Homeowners, Inc. is proud to offer free chipping again this year to every property owner in Yosemite West. We hope that everyone takes advantage of this program and continues to increase community-wide defensible space *inside the community*. We remain humbled and profoundly grateful to have survived the 2018 Ferguson Fire, but we'll never be off the hook and the threat of fire originating *inside* Yosemite West remains real.

## How Do I Sign Up?

Email [grants@yosemitewest.org](mailto:grants@yosemitewest.org) by Friday, May 15th to let us know you have a pile, so we can add it to the crew's work schedule.

Property owners do not have to be present when the chipper comes. The chips will be blown back and dispersed or piled on your property as determined by the crew.

## Chipping Pile Guidelines

### Chipping Do's

- ✓ Make a curbside pile by hand-piling brush and branches with the cut ends pointing in the same direction towards the street.
- ✓ Generate substantial-sized piles; consolidate piles with your neighbors where possible, which will speed up chipping.
- ✓ Flag your pile using pink flagging tape, which will be available in the mailbox shed in May.

### Chipping Don'ts

- ✗ No piles in the street.
- ✗ No rocks, pine needles, pine cones, lumber, garbage or construction debris.
- ✗ No limbs greater than 8" in diameter.
- ✗ No piles higher than waist height.
- ✗ No machine-made or dozer-made piles.
- ✗ No "kindling-sized" piles; which wastes the crew's time (i.e., if it looks like kindling, it is).

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