



PRESS RELEASE - TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11TH, 2016

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO RESIDENTS REGARDING THE REMOVAL OF STORM DEBRIS IN COLLETON COUNTY

Colleton County, South Carolina has begun its recovery process in the wake of Hurricane Matthew. By Saturday October 15, 2016, debris removal contractors will begin removing storm related yard waste from the public right-of-way. Colleton County residents are asked to place any storm-related vegetative yard debris on the public right-of-way. The public right-of-way is the area of residential property that extends from the street to the sidewalk, ditch, utility pole or easement. This area does include City, County, and State Rights-of-Way. This does not include private drives.

Colleton County debris removal contractors will be removing only storm-generated vegetative debris. Do not attempt to place garbage, tires, or other household refuse with the disaster debris; it will not be accepted.

Bagged debris should not be placed on the public right-of-way; only loose vegetative yard waste will be collected. Do not place debris near mailboxes, water meters, fire hydrants or any other above-ground utility. In an effort to expedite debris removal and also limit debris disposal costs, residents are asked to place disaster vegetative debris materials (trees, limbs, brush, etc.) in piles in the right-of-way at a minimum 5' beyond the edge of the roadway for pickup and disposal. **WE WILL NOTIFY THE PUBLIC AT A LATER DATE AS TO WHEN DEBRIS REMOVAL WILL END, BUT WE REQUEST THAT YOU GET ANY STORM-GENERATED VEGETATIVE DEBRIS MOVED TO THE EDGE OF RIGHT OR WAY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.**

The primary Colleton County Solid Waste Facility on Green Pond Highway will be open during its regular hours to accept storm debris. Please **do not** take vegetative debris to Colleton County convenience collection sites.

All contractors working debris removal on private property in the City of Walterboro are responsible for disposal. For more information, please visit www.walterborosc.org.

This notice does not apply to areas of Edisto Island in Colleton County. These areas will be addressed at a later date.

Your cooperation in these efforts will help make the debris removal operation proceed as smoothly as possible and ensure that the community recovers quickly. You can contact Colleton County Solid Waste with any debris removal questions at 843-893-2313.