

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**Kern County Residents Can Recycle their Christmas Trees at Various Locations for Free***December 26, 2022 – January 9, 2023*

KERN COUNTY, Calif. – Kern County Public Works' Christmas Tree Recycling Program, which runs from Monday, December 26, 2022 through Monday, January 9, 2023, provides residents an opportunity to recycle one of their main and most cherished centerpieces – their Christmas tree!

The program encourages residents throughout the County to recycle their Christmas trees at various County and partnering locations to prevent trees from being illegally dumped or improperly recycled in the residential greenwaste container.

Kern County residents can recycle their Christmas trees in one of the following ways:

1. Residents can recycle their Christmas trees into their greenwaste container if the tree is **cut into small pieces to fit into their container with the removal of the tree stand, all decorations, and nails. The container lid must be able to securely close.** Whole trees and flocked trees are not accepted.
2. Residents can self-haul whole Christmas trees to one of 24 drop-off locations throughout Kern County from December 26, 2022 through January 9, 2023.
3. Compost at home! Christmas trees can be cut up and used in compost piles as part of a healthy compost mix. Make sure it's free of flocking or other contaminants.

If you prefer to take your Christmas tree to one of the drop-off locations, please tarp and secure your load properly. **Don't forget to remove all ornaments, bulbs, lights, decorations, and plastic or metal tree stands prior to dropping off your Christmas tree. No flocked trees.**

Attachment: 2022 Christmas Tree Recycling Drop-Off Locations

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2022 CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING DROP-OFF LOCATIONS

Available December 26, 2022 – January 9, 2023

ALL Kern County disposal sites: sanitary landfills, transfer stations, special waste facilities, and bin sites will be closed, December 25, 2022 in observance of Christmas Day & January 1, 2023 in observance of New Year's Day.

Please Remove Tree Stands, Nails, Lights, and Decorations – NO BAGS PLEASE

Arvin	➤ DiGiorgio Park – Parking Lot: Corner of Meyer Street and Haven Drive in Arvin (Daylight Hours) ➤ Bena Landfill: 2951 Neumarkel Road, 17 miles east of Bakersfield, off Highway 58 at Tower Line Road (7 Days: 8 AM-4 PM) ➤ Mt. Vernon Green Waste Recycling and Composting Facility: 2601 S. Mt. Vernon Avenue, 2 miles south of Highway 58 (Tue-Sat: 7 AM-4 PM; except for New Year's Day)
Bakersfield	➤ Bakersfield College – South Parking Lot: Corner of Haley Street and University Avenue (Daylight Hours) ➤ Bena Landfill: 2951 Neumarkel Road, 17 miles east of Bakersfield, off Highway 58 at Tower Line Road (7 Days: 8 AM-4 PM) ➤ Kern County Fairgrounds – Parking Lot: Corner of Belle Terrace and South P Street (7 Days: 6 AM-5 PM) ➤ Mt. Vernon Green Waste Recycling and Composting Facility: 2601 S. Mt. Vernon Avenue, 2 miles south of Highway 58 (Tue-Sat: 7 AM-4 PM; except for New Year's Day)
Boron	➤ Boron Landfill: 11400 Boron Avenue, ½ mile south of Boron (Sun, Mon, Tue, Thu: 12 PM-4 PM; Sat: 8 AM-4 PM)
Buttonwillow	➤ Shafter-Wasco Landfill: 17621 Scofield Avenue, 8 miles west of Shafter (7 Days: 8 AM-4 PM) ➤ Taft Landfill: 13351 Elk Hills Road, 4 miles north of Taft and 1 mile north of Highway 119 (Sun: 12 PM-4 PM; Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat: 8 AM-4 PM)
California City	➤ Boron Landfill: 11400 Boron Avenue, ½ mile south of Boron (Sun, Mon, Tue, Thu: 12 PM-4 PM; Sat: 8 AM-4 PM) ➤ Mojave-Rosamond Landfill: 400 Silver Queen Road, 5 miles south of Mojave (Sun, Tue, Thu: 8 AM-12 PM; Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat: 8 AM-4 PM)
Delano	➤ City of Delano Corporate Yard: 725 S. Lexington Street (Daylight Hours) ➤ McFarland-Delano Transfer Station: 11249 Stradley Avenue, 1 mile south of Delano (Sun, Mon, Thu, Fri, Sat: 8 AM-4 PM)
Frazier Park	➤ Lebec Transfer Station: 300 Landfill Road, take I-5 to Lebec exit (Sun, Mon, Thu, Fri, Sat: 9 AM-5 PM)
Kern Valley	➤ Kern Valley Transfer Station: 6092 Wulstein Avenue, 4 miles south of Kernville off Sierra Highway (Sun-Sat; closed Wed: 8 AM-4 PM)
Lamont	➤ Bena Landfill: 2951 Neumarkel Road, 17 miles east of Bakersfield, off Highway 58 at Tower Line Road (7 Days: 8 AM-4 PM) ➤ Mt. Vernon Green Waste Recycling and Composting Facility: 2601 S. Mt. Vernon Avenue, 2 miles south of Highway 58 (Tue-Sat: 7 AM-4 PM; except for New Year's Day)
Lebec	➤ Lebec Transfer Station: 300 Landfill Road, take I-5 to Lebec exit (Sun, Mon, Thu, Fri, Sat: 9 AM-5 PM)
Maricopa	➤ Taft Landfill: 13351 Elk Hills Road, 4 miles north of Taft and 1 mile north of Highway 119 (Sun: 12 PM-4 PM; Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat: 8 AM-4 PM)
McFarland	➤ McFarland-Delano Transfer Station: 11249 Stradley Avenue, 1 mile south of Delano (Sun, Mon, Thu, Fri, Sat: 8 AM-4 PM)
Mojave	➤ Mojave-Rosamond Landfill: 400 Silver Queen Road, 5 miles south of Mojave (Sun, Tue, Thu: 8 AM-12 PM; Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat: 8 AM-4 PM)
Ridgecrest	➤ Ridgecrest Landfill: 3301 W. Bowman Road, 5 miles south of Mojave (7 Days: 8 AM-4 PM) ➤ Waste Management, Inc.: 237 County Line Road (Mon-Fri: 7 AM-3 PM)
Rosamond	➤ Mojave-Rosamond Landfill: 400 Silver Queen Road, 5 miles south of Mojave (Sun, Tue, Thu: 8 AM-12 PM; Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat: 8 AM-4 PM) ➤ Waste Management, Inc.: 1731 Sierra Highway (Mon-Fri: 7 AM-3 PM)
Shafter	➤ Shafter-Wasco Landfill: 17621 Scofield Avenue, 8 miles west of Shafter (7 Days: 8 AM-4 PM) ➤ City of Shafter Corporate Yard: 1251 East Ash Avenue (Daylight Hours)
Taft	➤ Taft Landfill: 13351 Elk Hills Road, 4 miles north of Taft and 1 mile north of Highway 119 (Sun: 12 PM-4 PM; Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat: 8 AM-4 PM) ➤ Westside Waste Management: 274 E. Cedar Street (Daylight Hours) ➤ Alley Collection: City of Taft residents (Daylight Hours)
Tehachapi	➤ Tehachapi Landfill: 12001 E. Tehachapi Blvd. (Sun: 8 AM-12 PM; Mon-Sat: 8 AM-4 PM) ➤ Waste Management, Inc.: 416 N. Dennison Road (Mon-Fri: 7 AM-3 PM) ➤ Bear Valley Springs Solid Waste Transfer Station: 28999 S. Lower Valley Road (Tue, Wed, Fri, Sat, Sun: 8 AM-8 PM)
Wasco	➤ Shafter-Wasco Landfill: 17621 Scofield Avenue, 8 miles west of Shafter (7 Days: 8 AM-4 PM) ➤ Wasco Green Waste Facility: 5201 7th Street, 2 miles west of Wasco (Tue, Thu, Sat: 8 AM-5 PM) ➤ Vacant Lot in Wasco: Corner of Annin Avenue and Gromer Avenue (Daylight Hours)