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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

December 2021

It's a wonderful time to recycle with Kern County Public Works' Christmas Tree Recycling Program *Kern County residents can recycle their Christmas tree at various locations throughout the County*

As we celebrate the joyous holiday season and New Year to come, Kern County Public Works would like to remind residents to keep in mind the farewell side of the festive season by providing residents an opportunity to recycle one of their main and most cherished centerpieces – the Christmas tree!

Each year, Kern County Public Works promotes the Christmas Tree Recycling Program, which runs from Sunday, December 26, 2021 through Monday, January 10, 2022. The program encourages residents throughout the County to recycle their Christmas trees at various County and partnership locations and 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. In the Metro Bakersfield area, residents can place Christmas trees into their greenwaste container, as long as the tree is **cut into small pieces to fit in your container and all decorations and lights are removed. The container lid must be able to securely close.** Whole trees and flocked trees are not accepted. Not in Metro Bakersfield? Check with your local hauler to see what options are available!
2. Residents can self-haul whole Christmas trees to one of 24 drop-off locations throughout Kern County (see attached list) from December 26, 2021 through January 10, 2022.
3. Compost at Home! Your Christmas tree can be cut up and used in your compost pile as part of your 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: 2021 Christmas Tree Recycling Drop-Off Locations

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2021 CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING DROP-OFF LOCATIONS

Available December 26, 2021 – January 10, 2022

ALL Kern County disposal sites: landfills, transfer stations, special waste facilities, and bin sites will be closed, December 25, 2021 in observance of Christmas Day & January 1, 2022 in observance of New Year's Day.

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

Arvin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Bakersfield College – South Parking Lot: Corner of Haley Street and University Avenue (7 Days: 6 AM-5 PM) ➤ 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Boron Landfill: 11400 Boron Avenue, ½ mile south of Boron (Sun, Mon, Tue, Thu: 12 PM-4 PM; Sat: 8 AM-4 PM)
Buttonwillow	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Lebec Transfer Station: 300 Landfill Road, take I-5 to Lebec exit (Sun, Mon, Thu, Fri, Sat: 9 AM-5 PM)
Kern Valley	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Kern Valley Transfer Station: 6092 Wulstein Avenue, 4 miles south of Kernville off Sierra Highway (Sun-Sat; closed Wed: 8 AM-4 PM)
Lamont	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Lebec Transfer Station: 300 Landfill Road, take I-5 to Lebec exit (Sun, Mon, Thu, Fri, Sat: 9 AM-5 PM)
Maricopa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ McFarland-Delano Transfer Station: 11249 Stradley Avenue, 1 mile south of Delano (Sun, Mon, Thu, Fri, Sat: 8 AM-4 PM)
Mojave	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ 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-4 PM)
Rosamond	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ 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-4 PM)
Shafter	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ 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: 7:30 AM-3:30 PM; Sat: 8 AM-12 PM) ➤ Bear Valley Springs Solid Waste Transfer Station: 28999 S. Lower Valley Road (Tue, Wed, Fri, Sat, Sun: 8 AM-8 PM)
Wasco	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ 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)