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Curbside Chipping Program Gears Up for the Summer

BIG BEAR LAKE, CA – The City's Neighborhood Chipping Program, where property owners clear out & limb up vegetation and City crews pick up the material, resumes this season on Wednesday, April 15th. The program is on request. To request a pick-up of vegetation and native brush cleared from your property, call the Chipper Request Line at (909) 752-2805. When calling the line, residents can leave their name, address and phone number. They will receive a return call from staff as soon as possible. This service is for Big Bear Lake residents only.

Please note the following will not be accepted:

- Rootballs, limbs or tree trunks larger than 8 inch. in diameter or 24 inch. in circumference
- Construction lumber
- Branches, trunks, limbs or vegetation from new construction sites
- Bagged material
- Pine needles, weeds or leaves

To coordinate pick-up of pine needles, weeds & leaves, call Big Bear Disposal at (909) 866-3942.

The City's Curbside Chipping Program has been in existence since 2007. Public Works crews collect vegetation property owners have placed curbside, grind it in to mulch and haul it away – **free** of charge. The program, based on a partnership between the City and the Big Bear Lake Fire Protection District, is aimed at creating defensible space and thinning vegetation and trees. It helps take one step closer to making our community fire safe and creating defensible space.

The City of Big Bear Lake is a four-season resort located in the heart of the San Bernardino National Forest, approximately 30 miles northeast of San Bernardino. The City serves a population of 6,500 residents and covers a 6.95 square mile area on the west end of Big Bear Lake's south shore. Recreation is offered year-round, including skiing, boating, fishing, camping, hiking, golf and fine dining. Visit us at www.citybigbearlake.com.