



Free Yard Waste Wood Pick-Up

The Comox Valley Regional District and K'omoks First Nation using Community Resiliency Investment Grant funding are offering a **free yard waste and wood debris pick-up** on Denman Island for three consecutive days, **November 23rd to 25th**. The wood will be chipped and the grant requires that the chips (fuel) be taken off the Island. This initiative is undertaken to encourage FireSmart safety on residential properties by removing wood debris that could easily spread wildfire to homes and other structures.

If you want to take advantage of this free program to dispose of wood wastes, the rules are:

- No rocks, no nails, no roots (to prevent damage to the chipping machinery)
- No treated lumber. No leaves.
- Tree trimmings must be under 16 centimeters (6.3") in diameter and under 10 meters (32') in length
- No invasive species such as Scotch Broom, English Holly, Giant Hogweed, Knotweed permitted
- "Butt-ends" of the branches must be stacked in the same direction to facilitate efficient chipping
- The contractor reserves the right not to pickup any piles that they feel doesn't meet these rules
- Bundles are to be placed clearly visible at the end of your driveway – Not on public roadways
- Any debris brought to the end of your driveway after the start of work on November 23 may not be picked up.

It is important to restate that to qualify for this grant all chips will be collected by the contractor and transported off Island. The prime objective of this grant is to remove wildfire fuel from around residences.

This is a free program

Residents are encouraged to help FireSmart their properties by bringing wood debris to the end of their driveway before morning of **November 23, 2020. Chipping will be carried out for three days **November 23, 24 and 25**. Woody debris must be at your driveway by start of work Nov. 23, 2020.**

Denman Island Fire Rescue strongly endorses this program to remove fire fuel from our Island. We encourage all Denman Island residents to become familiar with and implement the FireSmart Program to reduce the potential impacts of wildfire on your home. We have an extremely informative booklet that will assess your property's risk and outline steps needed to minimize your risk. If you do not have a copy of FireSmart Homeowner's Manual, they are available in the red box beside the Firehall's main door (5555 Denman Road).

If you have any questions about the free chipping program or about FireSmart, please email Denman Island Fire Rescue at divfd@island.net



Emergency Evacuation Guidelines



Zoom Emergency Evacuation Info Sessions for Denman and Hornby Island Residents

The CVRD is offering Denman and Hornby Island residents a Free Online Information Session to review new evacuation guidelines specific to their communities:

Denman Island residents:
Tuesday, November 24
6:30 pm – 8:00 pm

Hornby Island Residents:
Tuesday, December 1
6:30 pm – 8:00 pm

Registration Required: comoxvalleyrd.ca/emergencyplans

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