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Lee County Solid Waste offers storm debris removal tips

FORT MYERS, FL, Jan. 21, 2016 – Recent storms in Lee County have resulted in significant debris in several neighborhoods. Lee County Solid Waste asks residents to keep yard waste and structural debris separate from recycling and household waste when cleaning their property. Material should be set at the curb following standard guidelines.

- Horticulture trimmings need to be six feet or less in length and tied in bundles weighing no more than 50 pounds. Palm fronds may be stacked and bundled at the curb. Leaves and smaller yard trimmings should be placed in containers or heavy mil plastic bags.
- Construction debris should be placed at the curb.
- Household waste must be placed in 40-gallon cans or heavy mil plastic bags each weighing no more than 50 pounds. If you have a larger county-provided container for automated garbage collection, please place at least three feet from other carts, mailboxes, etc.
- Recyclable material, which includes metal cans, glass bottles and jars, cardboard, paper and plastics labeled #1 - #7, should be placed in your recycling cart.
- Aluminum storm debris from pool cages should be placed with the construction debris - not in your recycle cart.
- Bulky items such as furniture can be placed at the curb with your household garbage.

Specific waste disposal questions can be directed to Lee County Solid Waste customer service at 239-533-8000.

The Lee County Solid Waste Division is a nationally-recognized enterprise system providing residents and businesses safe, affordable waste disposal and recycling services. The system utilizes an energy-from-waste combustion process to create clean, renewable energy and single-stream recycling for material recovery. For more information visit our website at leegov.com/solidwaste.