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Hurricane Irma cleanup - Collection schedules for Wednesday, Oct. 11

FORT MYERS, FL, Oct. 10, 2017 – Storm debris collection crews will be working in the following areas of Lee County on Wednesday:

In east Lee County

- North River Road from SR 31 to Alva
- In Buckingham Cemetery Road from Buckingham Road to Stratton Boulevard
- In Buckingham, working from south of the Orange River to Orange River Boulevard and working west to east from I-75 to Williamson Road
- In Lehigh Acres, from Leland Heights Boulevard to Sunrise Boulevard
- In Lehigh Acres, from Williams Ave. on the west to Richmond Avenue North on the east, working north to south from 6th Street to the Able Canal
- In Lehigh Acres, from Alabama Road South on the west to the Lee/Hendry county line on the east
- In Lehigh Acres, working south of Lee Boulevard to Copperleaf Country Club from the Alabama Canal on the west to Beth Stacey Boulevard on the east
- Working the east side of Ortiz from SR 82 to Luckett Road.

In North Fort Myers

- North of the Caloosahatchee River and south of Bayshore Road working west to east from Old Bridge Road to Coon Road
- North of Pondella Road and south of Pine Island Road (SR 78) that are near Hancock Creek
- Fort Myers Shores working west to east from Davis Boulevard to Tropic Avenue, and working north to south from the Caloosahatchee River to SR 80
- Suncoast Estates

In south Fort Myers

- West of US 41 and east of Island Park Road working north to south from The Harborage to Broadway
- West of Island Park Road, working from Forest Oaks Drive in the north to the southern edge of Tidewater Island
- San Carlos Park
- The Forest Country Club
- McGregor Woods
- Heritage Farms
- Whiskey Creek
- Overlook

- The south side of Iona Rd. from McGregor Boulevard to John Morris Road
- The north side of McGregor Boulevard from John Morris Road to Jonathan Harbor

In west Lee County

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Depending on the volume of debris, crews may be in these areas longer than one day. This list is a forecast and does not represent what may actually be completed.

Residents can follow the progress of the debris collection by viewing the Lee County Solid Waste website at <u>www.leegov.com/solidwaste</u> and clicking on Hurricane Irma Daily Updates. The webpage also features an interactive map showing where crews are working. The map – also viewable on mobile phones – is updated each evening to show where trucks will arrive the next day throughout Lee County.

For residents who do not want to wait for debris-management trucks to arrive, there are two sites available for residents of Bonita Springs, Fort Myers Beach, Estero or unincorporated Lee County to self-haul their own horticultural storm debris at no charge. Please be prepared to show proof of residency with a driver's license or utility bill.

The self-haul sites are located at Lee County Mosquito Control, 3991 Sunset Road, Lehigh Acres and 14790 A & W Bulb Road in south Fort Myers. The site hours are 7:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. seven days a week. Additional sites are planned. Check the website for a map and directions. Residents can visit dropoff sites as many times as desired. People must unload their own vehicles. Residents who hire someone, including commercial landscaping crews, to clear their property must complete a Hurricane Irma Storm Debris Self-Haul Form, which is available on the website. The self-haul sites are for residential horticultural storm debris only.

Lee County estimates that Hurricane Irma produced more than three times as much horticultural debris as Hurricane Charley in 2004, which produced 900,000 cubic yards of horticultural debris. Irma is estimated to have produced at least 3 million cubic yards. This historic cleanup effort will continue until each area of Lee County is returned to its pre-storm condition.

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 <u>www.leegov.com/solidwaste</u> or call 239-533-8000.

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