



# 2024 CHIPPER DAY PROGRAM FOR WILDFIRE MITIGATION



Mountain Valley HOA - Week of July 22<sup>nd</sup>

Aspen Fire is running a “Chipper Day Program” to assist communities and homeowners with wildfire risk reduction by providing a curb-side brush removal service. Homeowners will pile brush according to the guidelines below and the fire department will haul it away for FREE. Our crews will be picking up your piles, rain or shine on the date(s) presented by your HOA/Community. All wood from your piles will be removed and then chipped and composted at Pitkin County Landfill.

## PARTICIPANT REQUIREMENTS

1. In order to participate in this program, you must live within the community named above.
2. Participants must register their piles on <https://www.aspenfire.com/chipping> at least one week prior to your scheduled pickup and follow the pile and materials guidelines listed below.
3. **All materials must be stacked by 8am Monday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2024**

## PILE GUIDELINES (see photo →)

- Piles must be stacked with the cut ends facing the road
- Piles must be within 5 feet of the public roadway, but not touching the road, in drainage ditches or impeding any traffic
- Maximum number of piles: 5 per property
- Maximum pile size is 5 feet high x 5 feet deep x 7 feet long
- Piles that are created using heavy machinery that are very difficult to pull apart to chip will be rejected and pickup will not be rescheduled.



## MATERIALS GUIDELINES

Accepted materials include trees, tree branches, small diameter logs and brush (cut away from root mass).

The following restrictions apply:

- No logs or branches with a diameter greater than 6 inches
- No construction, building or other man-made materials
- No lumber, fence posts or signs
- No roots, rootwads, stumps or anything else that grows below the soil
- No materials that contain dirt, sand, gravel or rocks
- No materials that contain any metal (nails, screws, fencing), string or other man-made materials
- No herbaceous / non-woody plant material

## SUMMARY

1. Pre-registration is required. Go to <https://www.aspenfire.com/chipping> to register your address no later than one week prior to your scheduled pickup date.
2. Follow the guidelines above. **Piles that do not follow the guidelines will be rejected and pickup will not be rescheduled.**
3. If you need additional help with wildfire mitigation to prepare your piles, please review the contractor list at <https://www.aspenfire.com/vegetation-management>. (Please note, any additional work beyond chipping & hauling will not be covered by Aspen Fire.)

Please encourage your neighbors to participate to ensure the program’s success

**If you have any questions, please email [shannon.fink@aspenfire.com](mailto:shannon.fink@aspenfire.com).**

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