



NEWS ADVISORY

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For immediate release

Tree debris disposal options available

High winds over the weekend damaged a number of Missoula's boulevard trees. The City of Missoula has been responding and will continue to respond to calls about trees in the right-of-way based on emergencies, risk assessment, and clearance of streets and sidewalks.

EKO Compost, which partners with the City of Missoula, has generously offered to accept tree branches and limbs free of charge through June 1. That means woody waste only – no grass clippings or shrubs. EKO Compost is open seven days a week 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Questions? Call EKO at 721-1423.

For citizens who are unable to haul debris to EKO Compost or dispose of it, City crews will be picking up debris from street trees only over the next several weeks. Homeowners are asked to request street tree debris removal at www.missoulaparks.org or <http://www.ci.missoula.mt.us/forms.aspx?FID=189>, or by phoning 552-6277. If possible, please pile the debris together. Please do not move debris from private property to the boulevard.

Citizens with limited mobility who need help with private property debris removal may call Imagine Missoula, a local volunteer agency, at 546-4697, www.imaginemissoula.org.

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