



## INDIAN RIVER COUNTY

### SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL DISTRICT

### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS STORM RELATED VEGETATIVE DEBRIS REMOVAL



Hurricane Irma generated at least 100,000 cubic yards of vegetative debris. Therefore, the County will have a special storm related vegetative debris collection for unincorporated area of Indian River County. Please review the following list of frequently asked questions and answers to help guide County residents through this process.

Q: When will the vegetative debris removals start?

A: **Rights-of-Way:** On Monday, September 18, 2017, the County began collection of vegetative debris on Public Right-of-way in Unincorporated Indian River County.

**Private Roads:** On Sunday, October 8, 2017, the County began collection of vegetative debris on Private Roads and Subdivisions in Unincorporated Indian River County.

Q: What areas will the debris removal cover?

A: The unincorporated areas of Indian River County.

Q: I live within the city limits; will the county remove the vegetative debris from my area?

A: No, you will need to contact your city/town for their vegetative removal instructions. Those numbers are as follows:

Vero Beach	(772) 978-5300
Sebastian	(772) 228-7001
Fellsmere	(772) 646-6316
Indian River Shores	(772) 231-1771
Orchid	(772) 581-2770

Q: Who will be doing the removal?

A: Indian River County's contracted vegetative debris hauler, Ceres.

Q: What items will be picked up?

A: Vegetative debris such as branches, tree limbs, leaves, plants, and tree trimmings, palm fronds, tree trunks. Please do NOT bag your vegetative debris. Vegetative debris should be placed in separate piles. Vegetative debris will not be picked up if it is commingled with garbage, wood/construction debris, metals, white goods such as refrigerators/hot water heaters/dishwasher.

Q: Will they pick up any other types of hurricane debris?

A: No, only the vegetative debris generated from the hurricane. They will not pick up broken fences, wood pieces, roofing, dirt, sod or garbage of any kind. They will not pick up anything in plastic or paper bags.

Q: What do I do with wood/construction debris, metals, and/or white goods such as refrigerators/hot water heaters/dishwashers?

A: They must be brought to the Main County Landfill at 1325 74th Ave SW in Vero Beach. If you are unable to bring the material to the landfill yourself, you will have to contact a private company to remove it for you.

Q: Will my vegetative debris still be pick up even if it is mixed with wood/construction debris, metals, and/or white goods such as refrigerators/hot water heaters/dishwashers?

A: NO, please be sure that your vegetative debris is separate from other garbage. If it is comingled, your vegetative debris may not be picked up.

Q: Where do we place the vegetative debris for removal?

A: It should be placed on the rights-of-way next to the roads (not on the road itself). Please avoid placing on top of water meters, storm drains, near phone/electric boxes, near fire hydrants, near mail boxes or any other utility features in the right of way.

Q: I live on a private road/in a private subdivision, will my vegetative debris also be removed by the county's hauler?

A: Yes. On Sunday, October 8, 2017, the County began collection of vegetative debris on Private Roads and Subdivisions in Unincorporated Indian River County.

Q: Who can submit a right-of-entry form?

A: Each property owner on a private road or an authorized officer/agent of the Home Owners' Association (HOA) of a private subdivision on a private road.

Q: Where can I find the right-of-entry form?

A: The form can be found online at [www.ircrecycles.com/rightofentry.htm](http://www.ircrecycles.com/rightofentry.htm).

Q: How is the form submitted to the county?

A: It can be submitted online at [www.ircrecycles.com/rightofentry.htm](http://www.ircrecycles.com/rightofentry.htm), submitted by mail or by hand delivery to the Public Works Department, 1801 27<sup>th</sup> Street, Vero Beach, or scanned and emailed to [debrisform@ircgov.com](mailto:debrisform@ircgov.com). If you choose to print and sign, the form will need to be notarized. Notaries are available at the County Administration Building.

Q: When will the removal begin on my private road or in my private subdivision after submitting the right of entry form?

A: On Sunday, October 8, 2017, the County began collection of vegetative debris on Private Roads and Subdivisions in Unincorporated Indian River County.

Q: What if I do not want to wait for the county to remove the vegetative debris?

A: Small vegetative debris (less than 3" in diameter) can be brought to any of the county's five customer convenience centers. These are open every day the week of September 13<sup>th</sup> -18<sup>th</sup> from 7 am to 6 pm. Large vegetative debris (greater than 3" in diameter) can be brought to the Indian River County Landfill located at 1325 74<sup>th</sup> Avenue SW (open daily from 7 am to 5 pm). Please visit [www.ircrecycles.com](http://www.ircrecycles.com) for locations and normal operating hours.

Q: Where can I find the customer convenience centers?

A: The location of the five customer convenience centers can be found at [www.ircrecycles.com/Convenience\\_Centers.htm](http://www.ircrecycles.com/Convenience_Centers.htm)

Q: Who can I call if I have more questions?

A: [You can call the county Solid Waste Disposal District at \(772\) 770-5112.](#)

**Please be aware that dumping any type of debris from private subdivisions onto public roadways or not disposing of debris in a legal manner is subject to code enforcement action by the County.**