



# SHINGLETOWN FIRE SAFE COUNCIL

## Curbside Chipping Program Application

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The Shingletown Fire Safe Council (SFSC) is a part of the Shingletown Council, Inc. All Greater Shingletown residents and property owners are eligible to apply for assistance under the SFSC's Neighborhood Curbside Chipping Program. If your neighborhood has been announced to receive an upcoming chipping program, you **must** complete this application to participate. If you would like to have your neighborhood participate in this program, please contact us. This program is overseen by volunteers and is supported by donations and grants, it can only be provided when assets are available. **The details requested are necessary for Grant Reporting Requirements.** Thank you.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Neighborhood: \_\_\_\_\_

Nearest Cross Street: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

How large is your property (acres)? \_\_\_\_\_ Are you the property owner?  Yes  No

Owner's Name & Contact Information (if different): \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about us? \_\_\_\_\_

Initial the bottom of this page, sign on the back of this application, & return both pages by Fax to (530) 4741708, , or scan both pages & e-mail them to [FireSafe@ShingletownCouncil.org](mailto:FireSafe@ShingletownCouncil.org), or mail to Shingletown Council, PO Box 322, Shingletown, CA 96088

Check this box  if you would like us to arrange a free PG&E line inspection. Contact Cal Fire or the Shingletown Volunteer Fire Department for a free defensible space inspection of your property.

This Fire Safe Program is a free service and participation is not affected by your willingness to donate. Our program is supported by volunteers, grants, and donations. If you chose to donate, 100% will be used to support our fire wise education and fire safe programs. Donations are greatly appreciated.

My donation of  \$25,  \$50 or \$\_\_\_\_\_ is included with this request.

By initialing & signing this form, I certify that I am the owner or legal occupier of this property and I have full authority to authorize the SFSC chipping services. I agree to permit the SFSC and/or its designees entry upon my property for the purposes of evaluating defensible space, photographing and measuring my slash piles, and chipping my piles.

INITIAL THIS PAGE HERE: \_\_\_\_\_



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**COMPLETE IN FULL:** Participant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

- Pile size? Length \_\_\_\_\_ Height \_\_\_\_\_ Depth \_\_\_\_\_
- The material is (check all that apply): Defensible Space Trimmings  Hazardous Fuels Reduction
- How many person-hours did it take to cut, gather, move and stack your pile(s)? \_\_\_\_\_
- If you paid to have your piles collected for chipping, how much did you spend? \_\_\_\_\_
- If this program was not available:
  - I would not have done the work
  - I would have collected and burned it on my property taking \_\_\_\_ days of burning
  - I would have taken it to the solid waste land fill \_\_\_\_\_ miles from my property with a tipping fee of \$\_\_\_\_\_
  - I would have transported it to a co-gen plant \_\_\_\_\_ miles from my property.
  - Other (explain) \_\_\_\_\_

1. I agree to allow SFSC & the contractor(s) designated by SFSC under this program access onto my property with or without prior in order to complete this program.
2. I understand and agree that:
  - Any chipped material will be blown back onto my property unless otherwise arranged with SFSC.
  - Tree trunks and limbs that the SFSC contractor determines are too large to be chipped by their equipment will be left on my property. If the wood is sound, I understand that I may donate it to the SFSC Emergency Firewood Bank as agreed to by me and SFSC.
  - Schedules are determined by SFSC & its contractor, that I may not be called prior to program services being provided, & that a specific service date and time of my choosing may not be possible.
  - SFSC is not obligated to provide services under this program and is not liable for its failure to provide such services, nor for the performance of services under this program except per Paragraph 3 below.
  - SFSC's funds for this program's services are limited so SFSC may refuse to provide service to anyone.
  - I am responsible for any environmental compliance concerns that arise in connection with the services provided by SFSC under this program (call, email, or write for more information).
  - I understand that 100 feet of Defensible Space around my home (or to my property line) is required by law ([www.calfire.ca.gov/communications/communications\\_firesafety\\_100feet.php](http://www.calfire.ca.gov/communications/communications_firesafety_100feet.php)).
  - I understand that creating a Defensible Space does not guarantee that my home will be protected during a wildfire.
3. In consideration of SFSC's free curbside chipping services, I, my spouse, successors in interest, and assigns (collectively "me" or "I"), I hereby agree to waive, release, hold harmless, and refrain from suing Shingletown Council, Inc., its officers, directors, employees, and/or volunteers (collectively "SC Parties") for any and all liability claims for injury, death, loss, damage, and/or destruction of any property which is connected in any way with SC Parties' coordination of chipping services, except for those arising out of willful misconduct by SC Parties. Any third-party service providers who perform the actual service of chipping are not covered by this above-stated waiver of liability.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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### USE THIS CHECKLIST TO PREPARE YOUR MATERIAL FOR CHIPPING

- Create Defensible Space up to 100 feet from structures and 30 feet from access roads.
- Limbs must be less than 8-inches in diameter.
- Piles must be hand stacked and be free of all roots, stumps, rocks and mud.
- Cut ends must face the same direction and point the large end out, towards the chipper location.
- Piles must be free of poison oak, Scotch or French broom after it seeds, blackberry, and other vines.
- Piles must be located on the uphill side of the road or driveway.
- The SFSC contractor cannot chip piles of leaves, pine needles, or light or wet yard clippings.
- Piles must be within 5-feet of the chipper location and be less than 4-feet in height.
- The SFSC contractors cannot chip commercial timber harvest debris or material from commercial orchards.
- Piles must be free of all non-vegetative materials (trash, tarps, metal, wire, etc.).
- Make sure you are done stacking and chipping at least three days before the scheduled chipping day.
- Please contact the SFSC after piles are stacked and ready to be chipped so we can inspect & photograph your piles.
- Contact us when you're ready and/or if you have any questions.

**Please make sure all the rules are followed. They exist because of Air Quality Management District requirements, contractor limitations, safety, and grant requirements. Failure to follow these rules will likely disqualify your pile from being chipped.**

This photo shows a properly stacked pile. Correctly done, the limbs can be easily pulled from the top of the pile. The limbs must be hand fed into the chipper so your piles must be stacked by hand.

**NO MACHINE STACKED PILES!**

