

# Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE July 26, 2019

TO Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBJECT **Storm Debris Collection Update**

This memo is to provide an update on storm debris collection following the storm event on June 9, 2019. As previously communicated, **the City suspended its normal bulk and brush trash collection service for the month of July to focus on collecting storm debris.** This memorandum is our weekly progress update for your information.

We originally estimated that the storm may have created over 500,000 cubic yards of storm related debris, mostly from tree damage. We are now estimating collection volumes will be over 650,000 cubic yards. For perspective, our average monthly volume is estimated to be just over 100,000 cubic yards.

Since the beginning of collecting Week 2, on June 12, 2019 after the storm, City of Dallas and contract crews have collected over 12,500 loads of debris. In the last 37 working days alone, it is estimated that crews have collected approximately 550,000 cubic yards of debris, which is more than five times an average monthly total. Of the 550,000 cubic yards, approximately 310,000 cubic yards or 5,900 loads have been taken to the temporary debris staging and grinding sites near IH-635 & US-75 and IH-635 & Greenville Avenue.

Attached is a map which reflects those areas where brush/bulk and storm debris collections have been completed since June 1, 2019 or areas we estimate to be completed by the end of the day today, Friday, July 26, 2019. We have continued to follow our established brush and bulk collection areas for route sequencing since June 1, 2019 (weeks 1, 2, 3, 4 with each numbered week beginning on a Monday). Week 2 was the first area collected after the storm and since June 9th, we have completed post-storm collections in Weeks 2, 3, & 4 areas. We are currently performing post-storm collection in Week 1 areas and estimate completion by Saturday, August 3rd.

We will resume normal brush and bulk collection service in August. Week 1 service for August begins on August 5<sup>th</sup>. We anticipate utilizing private contract crews through the first week in August to re-sweep as many Week 2 areas as possible. Week 2 areas received post-storm collection immediately after the storm and many residents placed storm debris out after our initial collection. Additionally, due to anticipated volumes the re-sweep will be needed to complete Week 2 within the scheduled collection week (August 12<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>).

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With normal bulk and brush collection resuming in August, please see the scheduled collection start dates below:

<b>Bulk and Brush</b>	<b>Collection Start Date</b>
Week 1	August 5, 2019
Week 2	August 12, 2019
Week 3	August 19, 2019
Week 4	August 26, 2019

As a reminder, we suspended normal brush/bulk collection for the month of July to focus on storm debris collection. To assist with collection efforts, we continue to ask that residents place tree debris, branches or shrubbery separate from other storm debris such as damaged fence panels or bagged storm/vegetative debris. Clean tree and green waste may be collected separately and taken to temporary processing sites nearby to expedite the overall collection process. Mixing or comingling storm debris or continuing to place out non-storm debris will slow citywide collection efforts.

Residents may also utilize the City’s transfer stations or McCommas Bluff Landfill during designated days to self-haul debris (visit [www.dallaszerowaste.com](http://www.dallaszerowaste.com) for information on transfer station and landfill operating hours and restrictions). Code Compliance will not issue citations for storm debris related items.

We ask for patience from our customers as the magnitude of the debris created by the storm is extensive and all areas of the city are affected. We appreciate your help communicating this message.

If you have any questions, please contact me or Kelly High, Director of Sanitation Services.

  
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# STORM DEBRIS COLLECTION STATUS

## Week

-  1 Brush/Bulk Completed (June 4 - June 11)
-  2 Storm Collection Completed (June 12 - June 24)
-  3 Storm Collection Completed (June 24 - July 9)
-  4 Storm Collection Completed (July 10 - July 23)
-  1 Storm Collection Completed (July 23- in progress)

