


# No-Cost Chipper Service For Fire Hazard Reduction

## You cut it—we'll chip it!

1. Call the **BCFSC** at **877-0984** or, to get the schedule for your neighborhood, go to our website at **www.ButteFireSafe.org** to get the schedule and find out if the program is available - it's seasonal, typically from November - June. ***Call before doing any cutting.***
2. Tell the coordinator you would like to have chipper service, be sure to provide your phone number and address. The coordinator will advise you of the dates the chipper will be available.
3. Cut brush and limbs should be piled within 5 feet of the road edge, with cut ends facing towards the road. Piles should be no more than 4 feet high, wind-rowed along the road. Keep cut materials free of mud & rocks, no roots.  

4. Locate the piles so the truck and chipper can easily access them for chipping. No off-road locations. Your piles must look the ones pictured above.



**Note: Chipped material will be broadcast in the area, not hauled away.**

## How to Create Defensible Space

### *For structural clearing:*

- Minimum 30-foot clearance of flammable brush such as manzanita, buck brush, etc.
- Limb trees 10 feet from ground level or at one-third of tree height
- Cut any overhanging limbs away from the roof, and at least 10 feet from chimneys

### *For roadside and driveway clearing:*

- Clear brush and trim trees on each side of road, to a total width of 20 to 24 feet
- Trim overhanging branches up to a 14-foot minimum to provide clearance for trucks and emergency vehicles

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