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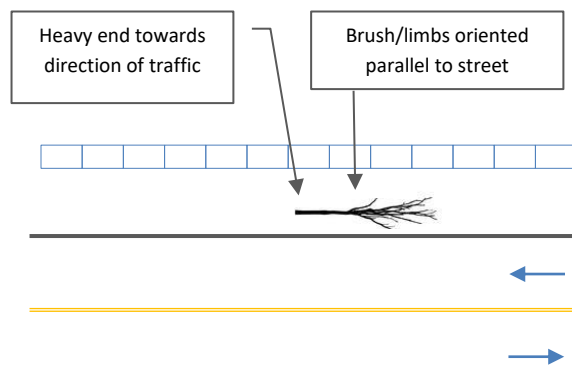
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Bridgman offers brush collection and Christmas tree disposal service to its residents for the purpose of enhancing its community.

Brush Collection Basic Requirements

- Collection days are the **first** and **third** Tuesday of each month, beginning in early April and continuing through the end of October.
- Brush must be placed within the tree lawn (area between the sidewalk and street) no later than 7:00 A.M. on collection days.
- Brush may not be larger than 6 inches in diameter.
- Brush must be stacked in one direction, parallel to the street (*this makes it quicker to feed the chipper so crews can reach more houses on collection days*)
- The heaviest/densest part of the brush should be oriented towards the direction of traffic flow (*this makes it easier and safer for larger limbs to be chipped*).
- The program is limited to brush and limbs.
- There is a limit of 15 minutes of staff time per household.



Prohibitions and Limitations

Brush:

- May not be placed within an alley or upon a street.
- May not include loose leaves, stumps, vines, grass clippings, ornamental grass, flowers, sod, plants, roots or root balls.
- May not include trash, nails, building materials, dirt or rocks.
- May not be tied with string, twine, wire or any other material.
- May not be left by a commercial tree removal or trimming contractor.

Christmas Tree Collection

- The City will collect Christmas trees on the **first** and **second** Wednesday of each January.
- Trees should be placed within the tree lawn (area between the sidewalk and street) no later than 7:00 A.M. on collection days.

The City's brush collection program is for the sole use of the residents of Bridgman and not intended to be a tree removal program. It is the responsibility of a property owner (or his or her contractor) to remove dead, dying or unwanted trees from their property. Property owners may dispose of their trees at the City's brush dump from Monday through Thursday, 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. Arrangements may be made by calling City Hall at 269.465.5144.

If brush materials do not meet the following guidelines they may be "tagged" and the problem will be indicated on the postcard. If a resident or property owner makes the proper corrections their brush will be collected during the next regularly scheduled pickup day.

Exceptions to the collection schedule for brush and Christmas trees are possible due to holiday schedules and weather conditions.