

Village of Weston: Yard Materials Pickup and Handling Procedures



OVERVIEW

This packet of information contains highlights of the Village of Weston's yard material pickup and handling strategy. It is our hope that we have proactively provided you with answers to questions you might have about these services and related issues. Each spring and fall, the Village provides curbside pickup to single family houses and multi-family units up to 4 units. Between the spring and the fall curbside pickup, the Village maintains a yard material recycling site at 8200 Ryan St. (1/4 mile south of Weston Ave and 1.75 miles east of CTH X). This site is open every day from spring thru fall.

The Department of Public Works is committed to providing quality and cost effective services to our residents. As such, there are certain things our residents can do to help the Village provide more timely services. The Village is continuously reviewing its policies and procedures to make improvements to our services. We invite your input regarding these practices. Contact us however you prefer, but realize that we will not/cannot respond to anonymous correspondence. Thank you in advance.

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SPRING & FALL CURBSIDE PICKUP

What is Curbside Pickup?

- Twice a year the Village will pick up brush and yard materials (leaves and grass) from the side of the road.
- Brush and yard materials must be kept separate as two different crews pick up the material.
 - Mixing of the material will result in the material not being picked up by the Village.

When does Pickup Occur?

- Spring Yard Materials
 - Pickup typically starts the 1st week in May and is completed by Mid-May
 - Village staff makes one (1) pass through the Village
- Fall Yard Materials
 - Pickup typically starts the 2nd week of October and finishes the 2nd week of November
 - Village staff makes two (2) passes through the Village

What is the Pickup Sequence?

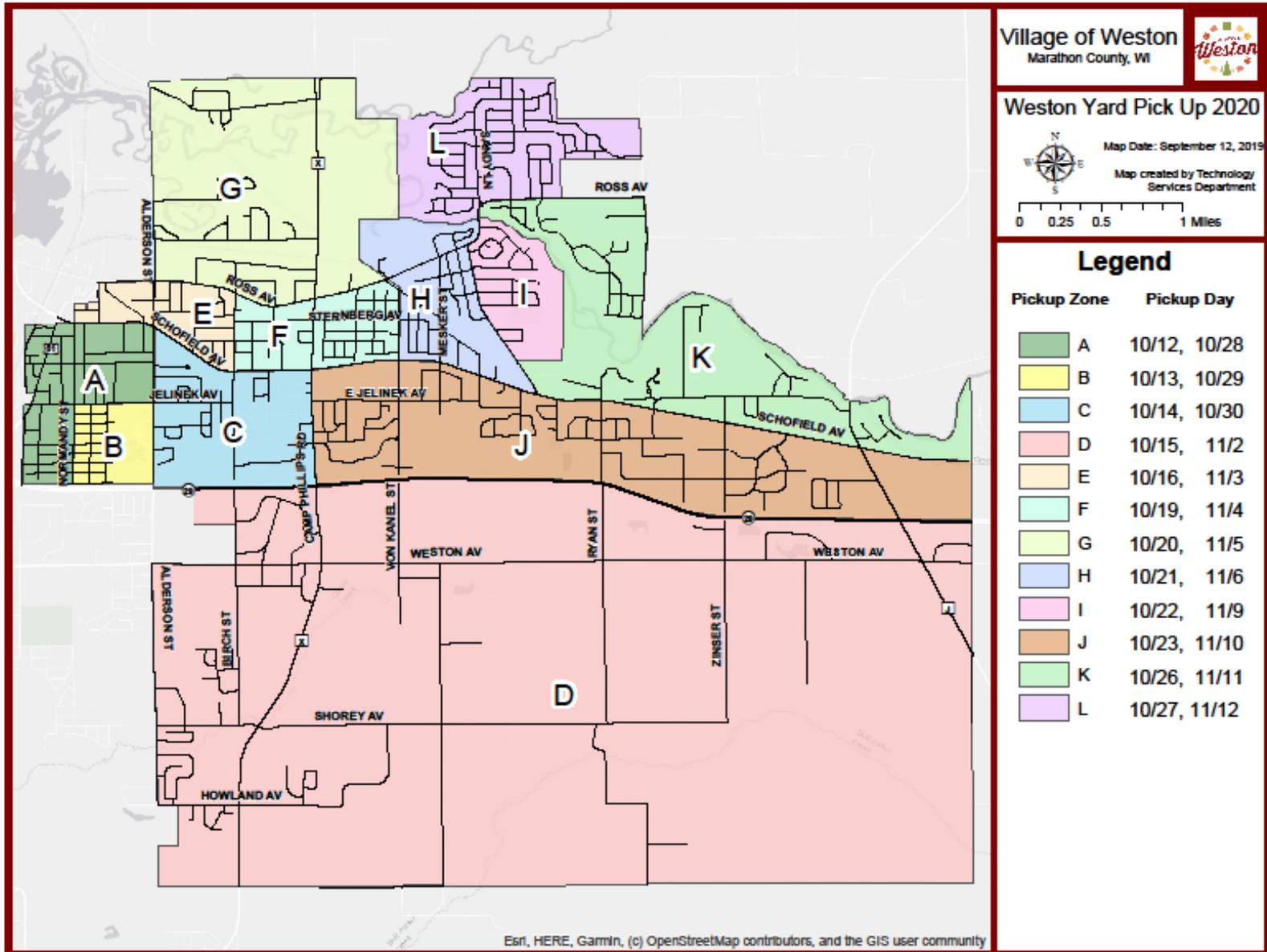
- Pickup occurs sequentially by neighborhood,
- Neighborhoods are labeled A thru L with staff generally moving West to East thru the Village.
- Each area takes approximately one day for pickup.
- As staff moves through the Village, if staff gets ahead of schedule they may move onto the next day, but will always start on the specific day tied to the date specified by the Village.
- Remember that material must be out by 7AM on the day of scheduled pickup, material placed after 7AM is not guaranteed to be picked up.

Pickup Areas by Neighborhood

Area	Boundaries
A	Between Schofield Ave and Jelinek Ave from Volkman to Alderson; Between Jelinek and STH 29 from Volkman to Normandy
B	Between Normandy St, Jelinek Ave, Alderson St and STH 29
C	Between Schofield Ave, Alderson St., CTH X and STH 29
D	Properties South of STH 29
E	Between Ross Ave, Schofield Ave, Pine St and Birch St
F	Between Ross Ave, Schofield Ave, Birch St and Von Kanel
G	Between Alderson St, Ross Ave, CTH X and North Village Boundary
H	Between Von Kanel, Eau Claire River, Fuller St and Schofield Ave
I	Between Ross Ave, Fuller St, Eau Claire River and Schofield Ave
J	Between CTH X, STH 29, Schofield Ave and East Village Boundary
K	Between Ross Ave, Eau Claire River and Town of Weston Boundary; Between Schofield Ave, Eau Claire River and Town of Weston Boundary
L	Between Eau Claire River, Ross Ave and Town of Weston Boundary



Map of Pickup Areas



What Material is Picked Up?

- Spring:
 - Yard Waste (Leaves, Grass and Thatch - NOT bagged)
 - Brush (less than 6" in diameter)



- Fall:
 - Yard Waste (Leaves, Grass and Thatch - NOT bagged)
 - Brush (less than 6" in diameter)



How Should Material Be Placed?

- All material should be placed at the side of the road, no more than one week prior to pickup.
- All material shall be at least 5 feet away from power poles, mailboxes, etc.
- Grass, Leaves and Pine Needles:
 - Un-bagged
 - Rows not more than 5 feet in width in order for the machine to reach all material
- Brush:
 - Place parallel to roadway.
 - Brush shall be less than 6 inches in diameter



How is Material Picked Up?

- Grass and thatch: Picked up by Vacuum Unit
 - Plants and root balls should not be placed with yard clippings/rakings.
- Brush: Picked up by Front End Loader and loaded into dump trucks



When Should Material Be Placed at the Roadside?

- Material shall be placed no sooner than one week prior to pickup because:
 - Material placed sooner than one week is more likely to be washed into a nearby storm sewer or culvert causing drainage issues.
 - Material in the roadway creates a roadway hazard when placed in the street. This reduces the effective width of the road for vehicles, bicyclists and pedestrians.
 - If material is placed too soon, the grass underneath the material will start to decompose. This can cause mold to form creating a public health issue (not to mention your grass will likely die underneath the pile).
- As Such:
 - Material placed sooner than one week will be considered illegally dumped and property owners will need to remove material immediately.

What if Equipment Breaks Down?

- At various times, the Village's vacuum truck has broken down. When this happens the Village will use an end loader to continue picking up leaves and grass in order to stay on schedule. The goal is to get the majority of the pile picked up.
- Once the vacuum unit is back up and running, it will follow behind the end loader and pick up any material that is left.



End Loader picking up leaves



Vacuum Truck cleaning up after End Loader

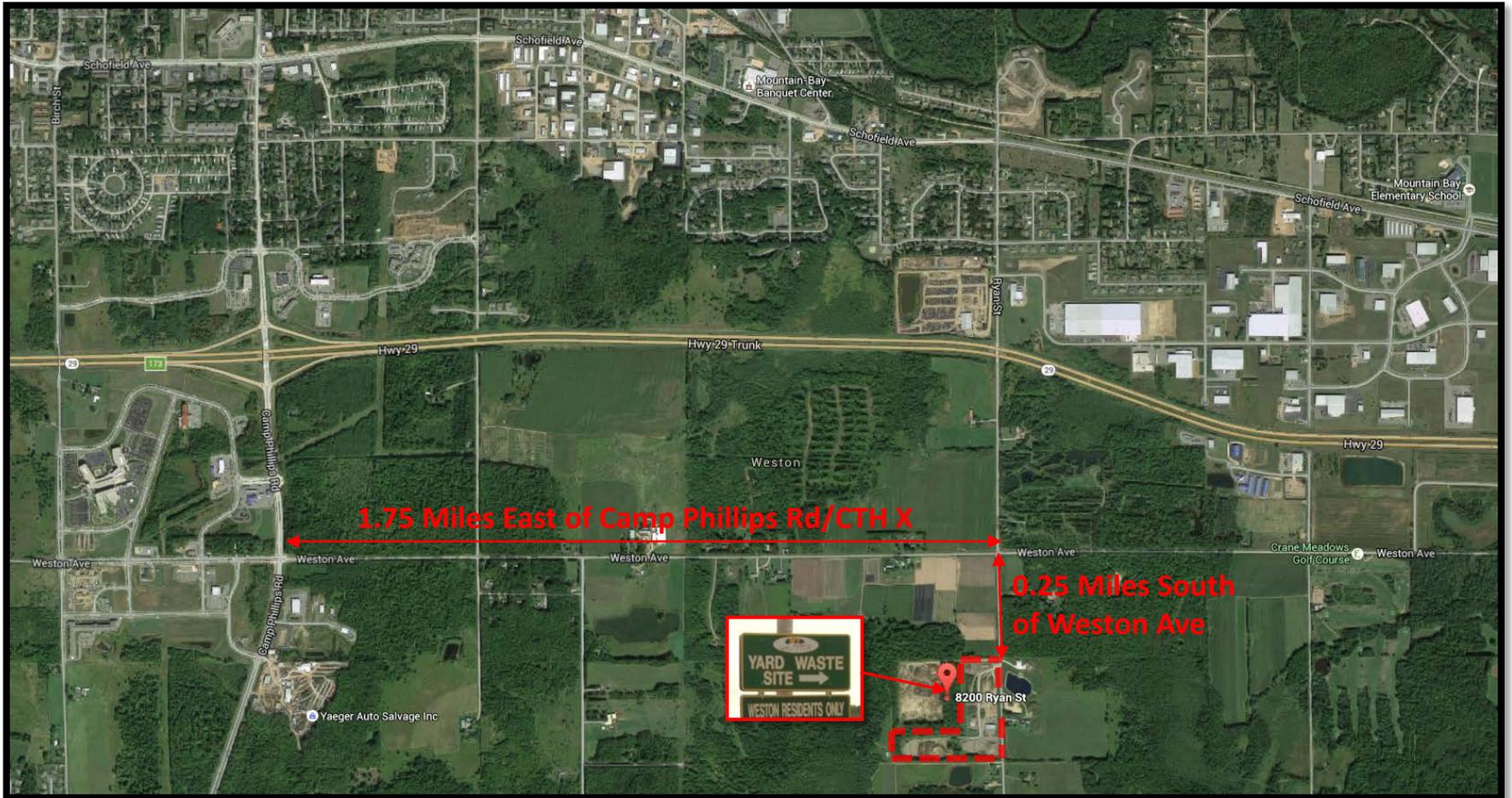
Yard Waste Facility

8200 Ryan St.

Where can I take Material outside of the curbside pickup times?

- Village residents can take yard waste and brush to the Village of Weston Yard Waste site Spring thru Fall, 7 days a week.
- Yard Waste Site is located at:
 - 8200 Ryan St. (1/4 Mile South of Weston Ave)
- Material must be placed in appropriate bins as labeled
 - Grass and Leaves shall be removed from bags, and bags shall be placed in the dumpster provided.

Where is the Yard Waste Site?



For Further Information

- The Village has a YouTube video which provides an overview of the pick up process. The video can be found at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v6G8Z0MbBZ8>
- The Village website is updated regularly as new information is provided. That information can be found at <http://westonwi.gov> for the main page; or at <https://wi-weston2.civicplus.com/594/Yard-Material-Pick-Up-Waste-Material-Sit> for the yard material specific information.
- Specific information is also distributed via the Village's Newsletter, Facebook and NextDoor media outlets.

Contact Us

The Department of Public Works wishes to provide the highest quality of service possible with the resources that are available. Although we are constantly evaluating our performance, we welcome your input as to the process and our effectiveness from the point of view of you, our customers/taxpayers.

We welcome your input. Please contact us at (715) 359-6114 or via the Village Website at <http://westonwi.gov>