

When grass clipping, leaves, and bush/tree trimmings are placed in our local landfills, they not only take up space, they also produce greenhouse gases as they decompose. To combat these problems, the State of California passed Assembly Bill 1826. This legislation states that those who produce large amounts of organic waste must dispose of the material in a green waste bin or at a green waste facility. The Bill also states that all businesses that contract for gardening or landscaping services must require that the contractor recycle the resulting gardening or landscaping waste.

To conform to the requirements of the Bill, landscapers should either:

Contact Burrtec to arrange for a green waste bin.

Those that produce large amounts of green waste on a regular basis may find it beneficial to arrange for green waste service. Service can be scheduled by calling Burrtec Customer Service at 760-340-2113.

Or

Haul organic material to a green waste facility.

There are currently three local facilities that will compost green waste or turn it into beneficial mulch. Local facilities include:

Edom Hill Transfer Station 70-100 Edom Hill Road - Cathedral City, / 760-340-2113 Open Mon. - Sat. from 7:30 AM - 5:00 PM

Coachella Valley Composting 87011 Landfill Rd - Coachella / 760-863-4364 Open Mon. - Fri. from 6:30 AM - 4:30 PM and Sat. from 7:00 AM - 3:00 PM

SA Recycling

29250 Rio Del Sol - Thousand Palms / 760-343-0499 Summer Hours: Mon. - Sat. from 7:00 AM - 5:00 PM Winter Hours: Mon. - Sat. from 7:00 AM - 4:30 PM

Organic waste material should never be placed in trash bins.

The goal is to divert green waste away from our landfills to prolong the life of our landfills and to reduce the amount of greenhouse gases produced in our area. Please use a green waste service or haul green waste to a local green waste facility.

For more information, contact the City of Palm Desert Special Programs Department at 760-776-6342.