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## **Willard Springs Green Waste Station reopens tomorrow, Friday, April 1, for free green waste-only disposal**

FLAGSTAFF, Ariz. — Coconino County will reopen the Willard Springs Green Waste Station tomorrow, Friday, April 1, for free green waste-only disposal all season long to support residents' efforts to clean up their properties for wildfire season. Residents will be allowed to dump acceptable green waste such as pine needles, branches, leaves, and brush free of charge with no load limits on Fridays and Saturdays from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. through the end of the season on Saturday, October 29, 2022.

“Over the last several years we have seen a tremendous uptick in residents who are committed to mitigating their wildfire risk by removing brush, pine needles, and woody debris to create defensible spaces around their homes,” said District 3 Supervisor Matt Ryan, whose district includes the Willard Springs Green Waste Station. “Transitioning the station permanently to a green waste-only format, along with offering free green waste disposal throughout the season, makes Willard Springs a critical asset for Munds Park, Kachina Village, Mountainaire, and other communities that understand the importance of wildfire preparedness. We have seen houses lost in Colorado and California, and we don’t want that to happen here! Please take the time to clean your property before fire season.”

Willard Springs, which no longer accepts bulk or household waste, is located about 14 miles south of Flagstaff and just west of Interstate 17 at the Willard Springs Road exit (Exit 326). The last load of green waste is accepted through the gate at 4:30 p.m.

The City of Flagstaff Cinder Lake Landfill, located at 6770 E. Landfill Rd, accepts bulk and household waste. For more information, including fees and hours of operation, please call the landfill at 928-213-2125.

For more information about Willard Springs please contact Ron Hollamon, Coconino County Public Works Solid Waste Manager, at (928) 679-8300.

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