



# BUTTE COUNTY RECYCLER

WINTER | 2025-26



## Pet Waste & Yard Waste Why They Shouldn't Mix

While certain types of animal manure can enrich soil as natural fertilizer, pet waste—especially from dogs and cats—should never be placed in your yard waste cart.

**Here's why:** just one gram of dog waste can contain millions of harmful bacteria, viruses, and parasites. These disease-causing organisms can survive in soil and water for extended periods, sometimes even years, posing serious health risks to people, pets, and wildlife.

Yard trimmings, such as grass clippings, leaves, and prunings, are a different story. These natural materials break down safely into nutrient-rich compost that enriches soil without health hazards.

**What to do instead:** Keep pet waste, diapers, and other contaminated items out of your green curbside cart. Always place these items bagged in your trash cart. With your help sorting properly, we can keep our community and environment safe.



## Christmas Tree Disposal

From December 26 to January 23, 2026, residents can dispose of their trees at curbside or drop them off at the City of Chico Compost Facility at no extra cost.

### Curbside Collection:

Before placing your tree inside the green cart, remove all decorations, tinsel, and flocking. Cut the tree into small sections and ensure the lid closes completely.

### Drop-Off Option:

City of Chico Compost Facility  
4441 Cohasset Rd, Chico  
Tuesday–Saturday, 8 am–4 pm (closed holidays)  
(530) 624-3529



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## Goodbye Guessing Games, Hello Convenience

Have you ever wondered if today is trash day or if the driver has already come by? Well, those days are over!

With the My WM app or your online WM account, you can check your pickup schedule anytime, report missed pickups, request cart replacements, and track your service in real-time, all from the convenience of your phone or computer.

Download My WM from the Google Play or Apple App Store or visit [wm.com/login](http://wm.com/login) to register your account.

Get started today!



**Stay informed during unexpected events.** Set your communication preferences in the app or your WM account to receive real-time alerts about service delays or changes due to weather conditions.



## Holiday Service Reminder

Collection will not occur on Thanksgiving, Christmas, or New Year's Day so our crews can celebrate with their families. When the holiday falls on a weekday, collection will be delayed one day for the remainder of the week.

During the holidays, most people tend to generate more waste than usual, so plan accordingly. Keep cart lids fully closed, break down boxes, and consider spreading larger items across multiple weeks for smooth, efficient service.

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