

# The Griffith Informer

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### GRASS & SMALL BRANCH COLLECTION

Republic Services will collect all **grass clippings and small branches** with your trash **on Thursdays**. Please place all grass clippings and branches in your **blue** container with your regular household waste. Blue containers **MUST** be full prior to using additional bags or cans. Additional grass and branches may be put in either cans or bags (paper or plastic) weighing no more than 50 pounds each and placed next to your blue container.

**NO LEAVES are to be placed in blue containers.**

### SPRING LEAF PROGRAM

For two weeks only, **April 11<sup>th</sup> through April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2016**, any Griffith resident wishing to participate in curbside leaf-vacuum collection needs to call the Public Works Department at 924-3838 to request a pick up.

### LARGE BRANCH COLLECTION

Any resident in need of large branch collection (**branches too large to be placed in the blue container**) is to place branches at the curb and call Public Works to request a pick-up. In effort to uphold the newly paved alleys, **NO BRANCHES WILL BE COLLECTED IN THE ALLEY**. Pick-up of large tree & stump removal undertaken by the resident may result in a fee for time and material. All tree removal contractors must be licensed with the Town of Griffith. Any tree or branch removal by a contractor will be the contractor's responsibility to dispose of all debris. **All small branches or twigs should be placed in your blue container for Thursday collection.**

### OBSERVED HOLIDAYS FOR REFUSE COLLECTION

Refuse collection is on Thursdays with the exception of Holiday weeks. There are **FIVE HOLIDAYS** that will affect trash collection this year. They are: **MEMORIAL DAY, JULY 4<sup>TH</sup>, LABOR DAY THANKSGIVING DAY AND CHRISTMAS DAY**. Collection will be on Friday of these weeks. Refuse is to be placed out for collection no earlier than 6:00 p.m. the day prior to collection. Please separate trash from recyclables.

## **LARGE ITEM DISPOSAL**

Republic Services will collect a limited amount of bulk items with regular refuse. One large item per week (furniture, appliances, etc.) will be collected. Please remember that all wood and carpeting must be cut in 4-foot lengths, bundled and weighing no more than 50 pounds.

## **DISPOSAL OF ELECTRONICS**

In effort to accommodate Griffith residents with the disposal of electronic equipment, the Department of Public Works will collect electronic items on Thursdays. Please place your items at the curb and call **PUBLIC WORKS** to request a pick up. Items accepted are: computers, monitors, hard-drives, mouse & keyboards, scanners, electric typewriters, printers, fax machines, small copiers, stereos, televisions, VCR & DVD players, telephones, laptops, cell phones, calculators, palm pilots, and electronic games (Playstations, Ninetendo, etc.).

## **SPRING CLEAN UP**

Republic Services will hold their annual "Spring Clean Up" on **Thursday, May 19<sup>th</sup>**. This allows residents to place an unlimited amount of trash out for collection. However, tires, concrete, roofing shingles and hazardous materials will not be accepted. For items containing CFC's please contact Republic Services prior to **Monday, May 16<sup>th</sup>** to insure proper disposal. As stated above, all refuse must be contained or bundled weighing no more than 50 pounds.

## **HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION**

The Lake County Solid Waste Management District will hold their Hazardous Waste Disposal program on **Saturday, October 15<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.** at the Griffith Public Works Facility, 134 S. Colfax. The following items will be accepted: Auto & household batteries, cleaners, oil based paint, solvents, fertilizers, pesticides, poisons, oil, antifreeze, mercury and mercury containing products, gasoline, kerosene, aerosols & corrosives, small propane tanks for portable grills, expired medications and sharps (medical needles). All sharps must be placed in a rigid plastic container, such as detergent/bleach bottles. Items that are **NOT** accepted are: latex based paint, explosives, ammunition, appliances, tires, radioactive waste, asbestos or any container 30 gallons or larger. The Hazardous Waste Schedule for 2016 can be found on the Town's website: [www.griffith.in.gov](http://www.griffith.in.gov) or call the Lake County Solid Waste District at 769-3820.

## **GRIFFITH SHRED FEST**

In conjunction with the Griffith Hazardous Waste Collection on **Saturday, October 15th**, the Town of Griffith will have document shredding for Griffith residents from 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at the Griffith Public Works Facility, 134 S. Colfax. Quantities will be limited to Four (4) boxes per vehicle.

## **PUBLIC WORKS EMERGENCIES**

The Public Works Department normal working hours are Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. If any emergency arises, such as water breaks or sewer back up, either after or before our normal working hours, please call 911 in order to dispatch our employees.

**GRIFFITH PUBLIC WORKS 924-3838**  
**REPUBLIC SERVICES 662-8600**