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City of Kirkland and Waste Management have a plan for easing storm delays



KIRKLAND, Wash. (Feb. 11, 2019) Weather and safety issues have recently interrupted garbage, recycling and yard waste services for some Kirkland residents. The City of Kirkland and Waste Management are closely monitoring conditions and have contingency plans in place.

“We’re working with Waste Management with three main objectives,” said John MacGillivray, Solid Waste Programs Supervisor for the City of Kirkland. “Our focus is on ensuring community safety, minimizing service disruptions to the extent possible and making sure all of our customers have the best information available as conditions change.”

When weather-related disruptions extend for more than a week, impacted residents have options:

- Place carts at the curb on your next regular service day. Waste Management will collect extra garbage and recycling at no additional cost.
- Bring garbage and recycling to special drop-off locations.

Drop-off locations are dependent on conditions and will be opened and announced as soon as conditions safely allow. The best resource for updates as conditions change is the Waste Management website: www.wmnorthwest.com/weatherboard.

Tips for using drop-off locations.

- Only household garbage and recycling will be accepted.
- No more than twice your normal load.
- Garbage in plastic bags will be accepted.
- Recycling in cardboard boxes or customer-owned cans will be accepted.

Tips for putting extra loads at the curb:

- Extra garbage loads can be placed at the curb in plastic bags or customer-owned cans marked “garbage.”
- Extra recycling items must be kept dry and can be placed at curb in customer-owned cans marked “recycle.” No recycling should be placed in plastic bags.

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Waste Management is the leading provider of comprehensive recycling and environmental services in the Pacific Northwest and North America. The company provides innovative sustainability solutions for residential, commercial, industrial, and municipal customers, from curbside collection with trucks powered by renewable natural gas to award-winning public outreach focused on waste reduction. The company uses waste that cannot be recycled to generate renewable energy, powering 12,500 homes in Washington state. For more information, go to sustainability.wm.com or wmnorthwest.com

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