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## **Recycle your Christmas tree**

**WOODSTOCK IL** – Did you know that McHenry County harvests more Christmas trees than any other county in Illinois? They are also recyclable. McHenry County Department of Health (MCDH) encourages residents to take advantage of residential Christmas tree drop-off recycling programs in the County at no cost to residents. Dropped-off trees are sent through a wood chipper to create a material suitable for mulching.

Patrick J. McNulty, Public Health Administrator, states “Mulching is a responsible use of our natural resources. It can be used in landscaping to conserve moisture, reduce weeds and reduce soil erosion.” McHenry County Conservation District has one of four recycling programs in the County, the others being Algonquin, Dorr and Nunda Township Road Districts. Recycled Christmas trees must have all decorations removed prior to drop-off.

(Open to all County residents)  
**McHenry County Conservation District**  
Glacial Park, Ringwood  
Rush Creek, Harvard  
Algonquin Township  
815-338-6223 • Dec. 26-Jan.15

(Open to all County residents)  
**Algonquin Township Road District**  
3702 U.S. Hwy 14, Crystal Lake  
847-639-2700, ext 6  
Dec 26-Jan 31 • 24 hrs/day, 7 days/wk

(Open to Dorr Township residents)  
**Dorr Township Road District**  
12322 Davis Road, Woodstock  
815-338-1060  
Dec. 26-Jan. 31 • M-F, 7am-3:30pm

(Open to Nunda Township residents)  
**Nunda Township Road District**  
3518 Bay Road, Crystal Lake  
815-459-4410  
November-March • M-F, 7am-3:30pm  
8am-noon, 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month

For more information, contact, MCDH's Solid Waste Manager Kristy Hecke at 815-334-4585.

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