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STORM DEBRIS PICKUP BEGINS THURSDAY

Tomorrow, September 3, Lafayette Consolidated Government's contractor, DRC Emergency Services, will begin picking up storm debris from Hurricane Laura. Lafayette Parish has been divided into 18 cleanup zones, with the first collection beginning in zones 1, 8 and 10, where debris volume is largest.

DRC will complete two passes in all zones, with the first round expected to take up to three weeks to complete, weather permitting. The number of trucks will be modified according to debris volume as residents continue to discard materials. Residents can monitor progress and reference zones, truck locations and areas where crews have removed debris. To access the zone map, go to Lafayette Consolidated Government's website by clicking on the following link:

<https://lcg.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=5fcd925b1b2242b0bcf2a67d39b8e163>

Debris should be separated by yard waste (sticks, branches, limbs, logs, tree trunks, leaves, and plants) and construction debris, such as fencing, building materials, drywall and lumber. Debris is taken to different waste sites, so be mindful of placing yard waste and construction debris into separate piles at the curb. Yard waste that is bagged or put into containers should also be placed in separate piles.

Because trucks are equipped with a powerful claw and have the potential to cause damage, avoid placing debris around these areas: water meters, telephone and cable lines, utility power poles, guy wires attached to the ground that stabilize utility poles, street signs and fire hydrants.

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