

Stanislaus County Sheriff's Office Fire Warden/ Office of Emergency Services

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Dear Resident of Del Puerto Canyon,

The Stanislaus County Office of Emergency Services has partnered with the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services to provide debris removal for those residents that have experienced damages to property from the Santa Clara Unit (SCU) Lightning Complex Fire that occurred in August 2020.

Phase I of debris removal activities are scheduled for November 10-12, 2020. During this time, residents that need assistance with debris removal are asked to make properties accessible to the California Department of Toxic Substance Control (DTSC) to remove any household hazardous waste. The DTSC will not enter any properties that are not made accessible by residents. The Stanislaus County Office of Emergency Services staff will provide escort for DTSC to enter properties for debris removal and has requested an additional law enforcement presence in the area during this time.

We have included some additional information about the debris removal process and encourage you to reach out to us or visit www.stanemergency.com with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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On Tuesday November 10, 2020 through Thursday November 12, 2020 the California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) and Stanislaus County Office of Emergency Services (OES) will be in the Del Puerto Canyon area doing assessments and cleanup for Phase I of California's Consolidated Wildfire Debris Removal Program. There are two separate phases in the Debris Removal Program. More information on Phase II will be provided at a later date.

Phase I Household Hazardous Waste removal (Nov. 10, 2020 – Nov. 12, 2020)

In phase I, local government, state and federal agencies have organized teams of experts from the California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA) to inspect your property and remove any household hazardous waste (HHW) that may pose a threat to human health, animals, and the environment such as batteries, herbicide, pesticide, propane tanks, asbestos siding, and paints. Phase I is automatic and includes residential properties that have been destroyed by the fires. If HHW has been removed from your property, The State or Federal HHW contractor will place a stake with a laminated sign in front of your property indicating that household hazardous waste has been removed. Please make access available to your properties for cleanup. DTSC will not enter any property not made accessible by residents.

What is considered household hazardous waste?

Household hazardous waste is waste from houses that poses a threat to public health, animals, or the environment. Hazardous waste includes chemicals that are ignitable, toxic, corrosive, or reactive. Examples include pool chemicals, car batteries, antifreeze, used oil filters, solvents, fertilizers, pesticides, propane tanks, disinfectants, aerosols, paint, bleach, and ammunition.

Are burned electronics and appliances (white goods) included in the household hazardous waste cleanup?

Teams handling hazardous waste will not remove appliances or electronic wastes, such as TV and computer monitors, computer processing units, or cell phones. These materials will be removed as part of the overall debris removal process during phase II.

Phase II Opt-in Debris Removal (On or after December 1st, 2020)

Phase II (remaining debris, ash, and hazard trees): Cal OES, FEMA, and Stanislaus County will coordinate with the State's Debris Task Force to conduct fire-related debris removal from your property, if you have elected to participate in the State's program by signing a Right-of-Entry Form (ROE). You will need to fill out the form in order to grant government contractors access to your property to conduct the debris removal. After turning in a ROE to Stanislaus County Office of Emergency Services, it will be reviewed to ensure it has been completed correctly and verified that you are the property owner. The form will then be transferred to the State's debris task force for processing and scheduling.

Please contact Stanislaus County Office of Emergency Services at 209-552-3600 to obtain a ROE form. Please visit www.stanemergency.com for further information regarding debris removal.