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TITLE: Petrolia Announces Compost Dates and New Curbside Wood Chipping

Petrolia, ON – The Town of Petrolia has announced twelve compost dates for 2018. Following last years change to using the Waste Management depot on Progress Drive, Council has approved the same location for this year.

Staff have worked with Waste Management to develop a schedule to best fit the needs of Petrolia residents and have considered dates where it is more likely that compost waste will be a larger concern for disposal, and time of day for the depot to be open and available to accept the yard waste, and further, the type and location of the bins at the depot to best assist residents in being able to safely deposit items.

Residents of Petrolia can purchase a punch pass that entitles them to twenty visits for \$20. They may visit more than once on the same day for multiple passes. Acceptable materials include yard waste including leaves, grass clippings, garden waste and brush including hedges, shrubs, woody plants. Materials that will not be accepted are waste items, recyclables, sod, soil, sand, building materials, stones, tree limbs and branches exceeding 4". Residents are asked not to bag brush and yard waste together.

As part of the approved capital budget for 2018, a wood chipper has been purchased by the Town of Petrolia, and staff will be offering curbside wood chipping at no charge to residents eight times in 2018. Residents are welcome to keep the wood chips, or Town staff will collect them. To help Town staff with wood chipping, branches can be no more than 4" in diameter, and they must be placed in a neat pile at the curb. Piles cannot exceed 4 feet in length, 10 feet in width and 5 feet in height. Staff ask that the items placed for chipping are placed after 4:00 p.m. the day before, but prior to 7:00 a.m. on the dates defined below. There is no set route for chipping, but each residence will be part of the two-day route.

There are no changes to curbside leaf collection for the fall, which generally takes place from October to December, three days a week; and Christmas Tree collection the week starting December 31.

Dates for the Compost Depot:

May 5, 19
June 2, 16, 30
July 21
August 18
September 29
October 13, 20, 27

If you go: The Compost Depot is located at 4485 Progress Drive, Petrolia, it is open on the dates listed above from 8:00 a.m. – noon.

Dates for Curbside Wood Chipping:

May 14, 15
May 28, 29
September 24, 25
October 1, 2

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Attachment: Poster for 2018 Compost Site

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