



MENDOCINO COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICE

HEALTH SAFETY ADVISORY

Ukiah, California: October 14, 2017

Redwood Fire Ash and Burn Debris Clean-up and Removal

If your home was burned:

- 1. Do Not Touch the Debris**
 - 2. Wear Protective Equipment and Clothing**
 - 3. Do Not Turn Your PG&E Service Back On**
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1. Do not touch the debris.

Ash is a hazardous waste and can cause you injury.

- ✓ It is very understandable that a property owner wants to sort through the ash to see what they can find. **DO NOT DO THIS.**
- ✓ The burned materials can become concentrated in ash and soil following a fire. It is important not to expose yourself, your family or your pets to any of these materials. Exposures can occur by sifting through and/or moving ash and debris, causing ash to become airborne and inhaled or ingested which may be harmful to your health.
- ✓ **To be eligible for state funded debris cleanup by CalRecycle you cannot move or spread the debris. If you expand or move the footprint of the fire debris, CalRecycle may consider you ineligible for this program.**

Do not transport ash or debris to landfills and transfer stations at this time.

- ✓ CalRecycle will help property owners remove debris in the coming weeks.

2. Wear Closed-Toed Shoes, Long Pants, Eye Protection, A Mask and Gloves

- ✓ A mask and gloves will be provided at the designated entrance points.
- ✓ Follow the instructions provided for how to wear the mask so that it protects you.

3. Do Not Turn Your PG&E service back on.

- ✓ Either PG&E has been there and your gas is back on, OR you must wait for them to do this. Please call them at 800-743-5000.

For More Information, Use the Emergency Operations Center Call Center 707-467-6428