

Wood Recycling

Wood is recovered from our Construction & Demolition and Public Area Material Recovery Facilities (MRFs). Employees carefully sort wood materials for recycling – either for mulch or biofuel. Much of the wood collected at Davis Street is sent to our WM EarthCare facility in Fremont. Here we grind the clean, untreated wood for mulch, using a magnet to recover all the nails. The resulting ground product is dyed using naturally occurring dyes produced by our partner, Amerimulch. We are closing the loop on wood scraps, keeping the material local to help prevent soil erosion, improve water retention and contribute to soil structure.

Painted, pressure treated and composite materials are not suitable for the WM EarthCare mulch products. Where appropriate, the wood is used in power plants throughout California.

When the biomass is burned, it produces heat which turns water into steam. The steam turns turbines, which are connected to electric generators.

Some materials, like chemical treated telephone poles must be landfilled.

DID YOU KNOW?

Davis Street recycles over 26 million pounds of wood each year.

MATERIAL MATTERS

WM EarthCare is the only landscape product line in Alameda County created from community-sourced, locally recycled materials.



Davis Street Resource Recovery Complex 2615 Davis Street San Leandro, CA 94577

Hours of Operation: MON - FRI: 7:00 am - 5:00 pm SAT: 8:00 am - 4:00 pm SUN: Closed

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