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Free Christmas tree recycling offered by PNM and the cities of Albuquerque and Rio Rancho

(ALBUQUERQUE, N.M.) – PNM and the cities of Albuquerque and Rio Rancho are offering free Christmas tree recycling. More than 10,000 trees are expected to be recycled at the New Mexico sites, saving valuable landfill space, and generating water-savings and protective mulch.

Crews from PNM Vegetation Management, City of Albuquerque's Solid Waste Management Department and Rio Rancho's Keep Rio Rancho Beautiful Division will grind the trees into mulch, which can be used to provide a better growing environment for plants in city common areas and residential landscapes. The public can pick up free mulch from these trees at four of the five recycling locations while supplies last.

Trees must have all decorations removed (tinsel, lights, tree stands, etc.). Trees will be accepted at the following locations:

Albuquerque
Tuesday, Dec. 27, 2022 – Sunday, Jan. 8, 2021, from 8 am – 5 pm
• Eagle Rock Convenience Center, 6301 Eagle Rock NE, Albuquerque
• Ladera Golf Course, 3401 Ladera Dr NW, Albuquerque
• Montessa Park Convenience Center, 3512 Los Picaros SE, Albuquerque

Rio Rancho
Tuesday, Dec. 27, 2020 – Sunday, Jan. 8, 2021, from 8 am – 5 pm
- Rio Rancho Sports Complex, 3501 High Resort Blvd. SE, Rio Rancho

Limit five trees per resident. Commercial quantities will not be accepted. Only real trees will be accepted, no artificial trees. For more information call 311, TTY 711, or visit www.cabq.gov/solidwaste

About PNM
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