Oh Christmas Tree, Oh Christmas Tree

December 27th, 2019 – Once the holiday season draws to a close it will be time to take down all the decorations and you might be wondering what to do with your Christmas tree.

- Christmas trees are collected in **Petawawa** and **Laurentian Valley** during the week of January 6th on your REGULAR COLLECTION DAY.
- Christmas trees will be collected in the **City of Pembroke** on January 7th for residents with Monday collection and on January 8th for residents with Tuesday and Wednesday collection (weather permitting – if significant snowstorm, collection will be rescheduled).
- Christmas trees are collected separately from all other material.
- Trees must be free from all lights and decorations.
- Artificial trees or trees in plastic bags will not be collected.
- Do not place Christmas tree in your green cart.

Christmas trees that are collected curbside in Petawawa, Pembroke and Laurentian Valley are delivered to the Ottawa Valley Waste Recovery Centre where they are turned into wood chips. This material is used in the composting process at the Centre.

Residents are reminded to not place Christmas trees on top of or in a snow bank.   Brian Lewis, Manager of Operations for the City of Pembroke explains why. **"Trees can become frozen in the snowbank and collection contractors who are trying to remove them may get injured. It also impedes snow removal."**

Christmas trees are also accepted at the Ottawa Valley Waste Recovery Centre for drop-off at no charge during the month of January from residents in partner Municipalities. For more information on your local recycling programs including information on what can be recycled and composted, please refer to your Municipality's collection calendar or visit www.ovwrc.com.

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Picture Attached.

Christmas trees that are collected curbside in Petawawa, Pembroke and Laurentian Valley are brought to the Ottawa Valley Waste Recovery Centre. Trees are chipped and used in the composting process.