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Debris Removal After Tropical Storm Cindy

In the aftermath of Tropical Storm Cindy, Lafourche Parish Government is assessing the amount of storm related debris to be collected. To assist in the cleanup efforts, Lafourche Parish Government is asking all citizens to keep storm debris and regular garbage and trash as separate as possible.

SWDI, LLC is planning to continue normally scheduled garbage and trash pickup at this time on streets that are passable. Any streets that are impassable will be monitored and collection will resume as soon as possible. We realize that there are large amounts of tree and other debris that will have to be collected.

Recognizing that another storm is approaching the Gulf of Mexico; we must acknowledge that realistically it may not be possible to complete the entire removal process by this weekend. The removal process will begin after a comprehensive damage assessment is conducted and the methods for removal are determined, likely commencing on Friday and continuing into next week until the process of debris removal is complete.

We ask that citizens please recognize the realities of the situation and cooperate in the debris removal process.

To assist in these efforts, we ask citizens to separate the debris into different piles. Debris should be separated into 1.) metal piles, 2.) clean wood and tree debris piles, 3.) appliances such as stoves, air conditioners, and 4.) roofing material.

Your assistance will greatly improve the speed of the recovery efforts, and your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

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