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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 15,000 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

Monday, Dec. 28, 2020 – Sunday, Jan. 10, 2021, from 8 am – 5 pm

- Montessa Park Convenience Center, 3512 Los Picaros SE, Albuquerque
- Eagle Rock Convenience Center, 6301 Eagle Rock NE, Albuquerque
- Ladera Golf Course, 3401 Ladera Dr NW, Albuquerque

Rio Rancho

Monday, Dec. 28, 2020 – Sunday, Jan. 10, 2021, from 8 am – 5 pm

- Rio Rancho Sports Complex, 3501 High Resort Blvd. SE, Rio Rancho
- Sandoval County Landfill, 2708 Iris Rd. NE, Rio Rancho (no free mulch at this location)

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

PNM will also be collecting donations for Animal Welfare at the Eagle Rock Convenience Center. Please consider bringing [non-food donations](#) for animals in need in our community. A special donation trailer will be parked at the Eagle Rock location during the entire treecycling event.

About PNM

With headquarters in Albuquerque, PNM is the largest electricity provider in New Mexico, serving over 530,000 customers in dozens of communities across the state. PNM is a subsidiary of PNM Resources,

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