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## **PUBLIC NOTICE – 8/26/2021 11:30pm Beckwourth Complex Fire and Dixie Fire Disaster Debris Removal – Phase 1**

The California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) has completed work on the survey, collection and disposal of household hazardous waste (HHW), electronic waste (e-waste) and asbestos containing material (ACM) at properties within Lassen County affected by the Beckwourth Complex Fire. We are working with them to coordinate a start date for properties affected by the Dixie Fire and will notify property owners when that work is scheduled to begin. It is important for property owners wanting to take advantage of this service to leave the ash footprint of their property in tact. This means not removing debris or ash from burned structures until the work is completed.



### **Examples of HHW and Asbestos included in the Phase 1 debris removal:**

- Aerosol Cans
- Batteries
- Cleaners
- Compressed Gas Cylinders
- Fertilizer
- Fire Extinguishers
- Fluorescent Light Ballasts
- Herbicides
- Oils
- Paint
- Pesticides
- Propane Cylinders (BBQ-size)
- Solvents

Suspect Asbestos Containing Material (ACM) that can be removed in less than an hour (ie., Transite Siding, Floor Tile, etc.)

### **Why is HHW removed?**

Following a fire, HHW products require special handling and disposal, especially if their containers are compromised. HHW may pose a threat to human health, animals and the environment. HHW removal will clear the way for proper removal of ash and debris, allowing the rebuilding process to begin. Phase 1 debris removal is being conducted at no cost to property owners. Disaster funding is coordinated through local, state, and federal agencies.

### **How will I know when the process has started and been completed?**

DTSC crews will post a sign on each property when the HHW removal is complete.

### **What do the Stakes, Symbols and Colors mean?**

- White Stake and Sign = Site has been cleared of HHW
- White "X" = Empty HHW container or cylinder
- White "MT" = Fuel tank was empty, or contents transferred
- Pink Paint = Suspect ACM that will exceed one-hour to remove and will be left in place
- Orange Paint = Septic system location or damaged transformer