

**I. PURPOSE**

To describe how debris clearance would be accomplished following a disaster in Mower County.

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**II. RESPONSIBILITIES**

- A. Outside City Limits: Outside incorporated areas, the County Engineer will only be responsible for debris clearance on county highway right-of-ways.
- B. Inside City Limits: Within a municipality, the Public Works Department will be responsible for debris clearance.

**III. POLICIES AND PROCEDURES**

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- A. Except in unusual circumstances, removal of debris from private property will be the responsibility of the property owner.

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- B. Debris will be disposed of at a designated Mower County Landfill or Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) designated site. If earth fill, sandbags, etc. that were used to reinforce an emergency levee are removed, they will be disposed of at the above named location.
- C. The County Engineer would assist a municipality with debris clearance if it is shown that requesting municipality has expended all of their resources, or that a delay would cause a danger to life or property.
- D. The cleanup and disposal of (spilled or leaked) hazardous materials will be the responsibility of the responsible party.
- E. The County Public Works Department will make themselves available for consultation and assistance with MPCA.

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- F. If deemed necessary resident will be asked to sort debris by the following:
  - 1. Trees and Brushes
  - 2. Appliances
  - 3. Household Hazardous Waste
  - 4. Construction/Demolition
  - 5. Regular Garbage

#### IV. SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

- A. A listing of the major private construction contractors in Mower County (which have debris removal equipment) is in the County Resource Manual.
- B. A listing of hazardous materials clean-up contractors is located in the County Resource Manual.
- C. Debris and Storage Estimating Guide on page J-3, J-4 J-5, J-6.
- D. Mower County will adhere to the following Federal Laws:
  - 1. Clean Air Act
  - 2. Clean Water Act
  - 3. Floodplains and Wetland (E.O. 11988 & 11990)
  - 4. Resource Conservation & Recovery Act
  - 5. Endangered Species Act
  - 6. Environmental Justice (E.O. 12898)
  - 7. National Environmental Policy Act
  - 8. Coastal Barriers Resource Act
  - 9. National Historic Preservation Act