

**UPDATE: It has been an AWESOME Month for Slash Solutions!**

As a point of interest for you all as of the close of business yesterday we have collected in just 27 days - in excess of 2,600 cubic yards (or in excess of 70,000 cubic feet of materials.) WOW! And we know that there are only a fraction of the property owners who even know we are there yet. *Thank you Lew Gaiter (Larimer) and Rob Helmick (Larimer) for taking time to visit us!* Dave Lentz has been supportive and has provided us materials to have on hand, as has Boyd Lebeda.

Crystal Lakes Assns. received estimates that there was accumulated in a 12 month period approximately 500,000 cubic feet, *(and we established our financial estimates using 2,600 CY per month - with a 20% reduction to that for year one)* so this seems to be demonstrating that people were chomping at the bits to have some local option available. While the lions share has come from Crystal, we have been pleased to be getting materials from Red Feather as well. I will be meeting with Glacier View Meadows next week to discuss their needs for infested log and stump disposal, as they continue to operate their own slash piles. We did receive the ember screen (later than hoped) and have been burning furiously to catch up! Most everyone is amazed at the minimal amount of smoke that is put out - even when the barrier is broken by the flames.

We have Matt from Air Burners coming for a visit the next couple of days as well.

We have also allowed people to set "non infested" trees off to the side for "free" firewood at this point. We have not yet had an expressed interest at this point in acceptance of "lengths" for other uses, but will likely discuss placing that information on our website soon. Our managers are meeting this weekend.

Overall - the patrons have indicated their gratitude and support for the local option - and have also stated they found the price to be affordable. Of course we will fight the biggest battle over "sticker shock" with Crystal people who believe it should be free.

Thank you all SO MUCH for your support - and please let me know if you have any other questions.

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