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## **Disaster Related Debris Removal**

**Hardin County, Texas** – County Judge Wayne McDaniel is pleased to announce that Hardin County has secured assistance from the Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) to pick up and haul disaster related debris resulting from Tropical Storm Imelda. This program will cover uninsured residents in the following unincorporated areas of the county: Grayburg area, Countrywood Estates, Pinewood Estates and surrounding area in Sour Lake; Keith Road, Cooks Lake Road and surrounding area in Lumberton.

Judge McDaniel asks that residents place flood-generated demolition debris and white goods (food must be removed) in the public right-of-way (the public right-of-way is the area of residential property that extends from the street to the sidewalk, ditch, utility pole, or easement - see graphic). Only debris placed in the public right-of-way will be eligible for collection. This must be located on either the front slope of the ditch or at the curb. Do not allow debris to block drainage in culverts or storm drains as this could cause flooding.

Household garbage and non-disaster related waste must be kept separate from flood-related debris placed in the public right-of-way and will be picked up by your normal solid waste service provider. Do not place debris near any water meter vault, fire hydrant, or other above ground utility.

Placement of acceptable flood-generated debris in the right-of-way may begin immediately. There will only be one pass to pick up the debris and that date will be announced once it is known. At this time, we do not anticipate debris pickup will occur prior to October 4<sup>th</sup>.

