



# City Of Burnsville

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## **‘NOMINATE YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD’ FOR FREE BUCKTHORN BRUSH PICK-UP**

Buckthorn, an invasive shrub, is a serious threat to Burnsville’s public and private forested areas. For a number of years, the City has hosted the “Nominate Your Neighborhood” program **that allows residents to apply to have their removed buckthorn picked up and disposed free-of-charge.** Last year, eight groups participated in the program and removed an impressive 505 cubic yards of buckthorn.

### **How Does It Work?**

A neighborhood representative is asked submit an application (available at [www.burnsville.org/nominate](http://www.burnsville.org/nominate)). City staff will score all applications and select the highest-ranked applicants for a pick-up.

The neighborhood will be in charge of planning and hosting the removal event. All buckthorn must be hauled to the curb. Only one application is required per neighborhood. A minimum of three participating homeowners is required to apply.

**What:** ‘Nominate Your Neighborhood’ Buckthorn Removal Program  
**Where:** Your Neighborhood  
**When:** Application Deadline – June 1  
Chosen Neighborhoods Notified – July 1  
Last Day to Schedule Pick-Up Date – Aug. 1  
Removal to Occur – Sept. 1 – Oct. 31

*For more information or to download an application visit [www.burnsville.org/nominate](http://www.burnsville.org/nominate) or call 952-895-4543. For more information on buckthorn visit [www.burnsville.org/buckthorn](http://www.burnsville.org/buckthorn).*

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