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TWO WEEKS OF SPRING LEAF & YARD WASTE COLLETION

May 12th, 2015 – Spring has arrived which also means residents of the Town of Petawawa, City of Pembroke and Township of Laurentian Valley can place extra leaf and yard waste out for collection.

Leaf and yard waste includes leaves, branches, garden plants and hedge trimmings. Leaf and yard waste must be placed at the curb in reusable containers (lids off), cardboard boxes or paper leaf and yard waste bags. *It is also acceptable in your green cart on green cart collection days only.* Leaf and Yard Waste in plastic bags will not be collected. Individual branches cannot exceed 1 inch (2.5 centimetres) in diameter or 4 feet (1.2 m) in length. Bundled branches cannot exceed 1.5 feet (0.45 m) in diameter and material cannot exceed 50 lbs.

“Material that is not acceptable will be left behind with a sticker explaining why.” States Mark Behm, Township of Laurentian Valley Public Works Manager. **“We often see larger branches that exceed the size limits. This material is considered brush and must be taken to the Ottawa Valley Waste Recovery Centre.”**

Once leaf and yard waste is collected it is brought to the Waste Recovery Centre for composting. Leaf and yard waste is composted separately from regular green cart material. It is important that only organic material (food and yard waste, soiled paper products) is set-out in the green carts or for leaf and yard waste collections. This ensures a quality compost is produced. Finished compost can be purchased year round at the Centre.

Leaf and Yard Waste Collection is happening the week of May 11th and May 19th and material will be picked-up on regular collection days. Residents of Pembroke and Laurentian Valley will not receive collection on May 18th, due to Victoria Day. Collection days in these Municipalities move ahead one day.

Additional information on the Municipal Waste Management programs is available at www.ovwrc.com.

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Picture and Caption Included.



Leaf and yard waste is set-out in paper bags for collection. Residents of Petawawa, Pembroke and Laurentian Valley receive two weeks of leaf and yard waste collection starting May 11th.