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Trash Pick Up and Construction Start Times to Change during Grand Avenue Bridge Detour

GLENWOOD SPRINGS, CO – The City of Glenwood Springs is changing the start time for trash pick-up to 5 am. The start time for construction work in the City will be moved up from 7 to 6 am. By allowing trash haulers and construction companies to get started earlier in the day, the City of Glenwood Springs is hoping to reduce the number of vehicle trips made by these groups during the busy points of the day, helping alleviate delay times for commuters. In order to accommodate this change, the City landfill will open earlier for licensed trash removal trucks. Landfill hours will remain the same for public use.

The upcoming Grand Avenue Bridge (GAB) replacement will require all of us to rethink how we currently do things, and make a commitment to reducing the number of vehicle trips we make every day, especially during the peak traffic hours from 6:30 am to 9 am, and 3:30 pm to 6:30 pm. The City of Glenwood Springs is committed to traffic mitigation measures as one of the best ways to maintain a high quality of life during the project. Each vehicle that is reduced from our roads, particularly during peak hours, is helpful in keeping necessary traffic moving safely.

The following information will be in effect from Monday, Aug. 14 for approximately 95 days.

Glenwood Springs City Limits Residential Trash Pick-up Times:

From Aug. 14 to the end of the Grand Avenue Bridge detour, residential trash pick-up times will begin at 5 a.m., Monday through Friday. Residents must put trash out in the early morning to avoid bear incidents, unless residents have a bear-proof container. Trash that is not in a bear-proof container, is not permitted outside the night before trash pick-up. If trash is not out at 5 a.m. on your designated trash pick-up day, no trash service will be issued until the following week.

Glenwood Springs City Limits Commercial Trash Pick-up Times:

From Aug. 14 to the end of the Grand Avenue Bridge detour, commercial trash pick-up times in Glenwood Springs will begin at 2 a.m., Monday through Friday.

Roll-off Pick-up Times:

Roll-off pick-up times in Glenwood Springs will remain the same during this time. Additional roll-off storage may be coordinated with the Landfill.

City of Glenwood Springs Noise Ordinances:

From Aug. 14 to the end of the Grand Avenue detour, the City of Glenwood Springs is waiving all noise ordinances associated with trash pick-up during the approved trash pick-up times (5am-7pm). The City is also waiving those noise ordinances associated with construction work occurring during the approved times (6am-8pm weekdays, 6am-6pm weekends). Trash pick-up times will be in the early morning hours to alleviate day-time traffic congestion.

Construction work means any and all activity incidental to the erection, demolition, assembling, altering, installing or equipping of buildings, structures, roads or appurtenances thereto, including land clearing, grading, excavating and filling.

What is the Bear-proof Ordinance?

Glenwood Springs property owners and renters are already required to keep trash in either an enclosed, secure area, such as a garage or shed, or outdoors in a bear/wildlife resistant container prior to trash collection days. A first offense nets a \$50 fine, while a second offense could cost \$500, unless a violator can provide proof of purchase of a wildlife-resistant trash container.

Why Is This Necessary?

The Grand Avenue Bridge detour begins on Aug. 14 and will be in place for approximately 95 days while a new bridge is built. During this time, a 35% reduction in vehicle trips is needed during peak hours. By allowing trash companies to pick-up earlier, the City of Glenwood Springs is hoping to reduce vehicle trips from trash companies during the busy points of the day and alleviate delay times.

During the approximate 95-day detour, our community will have to adapt to change. The City is making these changes in an effort to reduce traffic and travel delay times.

Where Can I Find Information About Trash Pick-up Times?

Check with your trash removal provider for information about when you can expect the trash to be picked up at your house.

Where Can I Find Information on the Grand Avenue Bridge Project?

Call or Text: 970-618-9897

Email: info@grandavenuebridge.com

Web: grandavebridge.codot.gov

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