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Special storm debris pickup set for this Saturday

Collection trucks will start at 7 a.m., end at 4 p.m.

PROSPER (April 12, 2011) A special debris collection has been added to the usual trash collection schedule in Prosper this Saturday, specifically to pick up trash and debris that resulted from this week's storms, according to Karen Gill, Assistant to the Town Manager. Trucks will begin collecting trash at 7 a.m. and continue to 4 p.m.

"Our contractor, IESI, has agreed to send out trucks this Saturday, April 16 to help residents with their clean-up efforts. There are some guidelines, though, that they have asked us to share," she said.

Among these guidelines are some designed for the safety of both the residents and the collection company employees. For example, broken glass from windows can be extremely hazardous, so IESI is asking residents to carefully place glass shards in heavy duty plastic bags, tie them up securely and then place those bags in boxes where possible.

"Residents should, of course, exercise extreme caution while handling broken glass, such as wearing gloves and eye protection. And, children should never be allowed to handle it," said Gill.

Also, IESI is asking that items such as roof shingles and other building materials be separated into individual boxes weighing no more than 40 lbs. The general rule is that one person should be able to comfortably pick up a box.

"If, however, the homeowner has contracted with a roofer, the contractor always has responsibility for disposing of the old shingles," she added. "We will only pick up shingles that have been removed by the homeowner doing small patch-ups on the roof."

Tree limbs, shrubs and other organic material should be bundled as usual.

"This Saturday's one-time, special collection is for storm debris only, please. We appreciate everyone's cooperation," she concluded.

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ABOUT THE TOWN OF PROSPER – The Town of Prosper is a fast-growing suburb with small town charm, located 30 miles north of Dallas at the crossroads of U.S. 380, Preston Road and the Dallas North Tollway in Collin and Denton Counties. Prosper sits on 27 square miles and is home to more than 10,000 people. A home-rule municipality, governed by a council-manager form of government, the town has full-time fire and police departments, including its own dispatch service. As the Town grows to its projected build-out population of 90,000 residents, Prosper's vision is to remain a "Place Where Everyone Matters."