

Green Waste for City of Sonora

What is Green Waste?

Green waste is yard material like leaves, branches, weeds, and grass that naturally decompose. Residential green waste carts are serviced every other week, alternating with recycling pickup.



What You **CAN** Put in the Green Waste Cart

- ✓ **Leaves, Garden Trimmings, Weeds**
- ✓ **Lawn Clippings**
- ✓ **Tree Limbs & branches** - cannot be bigger than 2 inches in diameter and 24 inches in length.

What You **CAN'T** Put in the Green Waste Cart

- ✗ **Plastic Bags**
- ✗ **Batteries/ Household Hazardous Waste HHW**
- ✗ **Tree Stumps or Full Sod**
- ✗ **Dirt / Rocks**
- ✗ **Concrete / Brick/ Tile**
- ✗ **Treated Wood/ Painted Wood**





TIPS FOR RESIDENTS

- Do not overfill the green waste cart; branches must fit completely inside with the lid closed.
- Rinse or shake off dirt from branches or larger green items to avoid excess dirt weight.
- If you have large yard work (like tree removal), contact local services for special pickup or drop-off options.

If It Doesn't Belong In Green Waste, Where Does It Go?

ITEM TYPE	CORRECT DISPOSAL
Non-recyclable items, like plastic film, hoses, tarps, etc.	Trash cart or other special collection depending on item.
Recyclables (clean paper, aluminum, etc.)	Recycling cart.
Hazardous materials (batteries, oil, chemicals, paint)	Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) facility.
Food scraps (if there is a food waste / compost program)	Compost or food waste cart / drop-off program.