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"A Recognized SUPERIOR WATER DISTRICT and a 'WATER SMART' Participant"



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Happy New Year to everyone and we hope you had a very happy and safe holiday season!

OFS Solid Waste New Trash Service for Cloverleaf

The District has signed a new contract with **OFS Solid Waste Services, Inc.**, located in Channelview, Texas. The change in trash pick-up companies results in a \$1.70 savings each month for all residential connections. The service times and dates remain the same as the previous trash service. All household trash should be bagged or in cans not exceeding 40 gallons or 40 pounds, and curbside by 7 a.m. on Wednesdays and Saturdays. This is for household waste only. Household garbage doesn't include remodeling or garage sale waste. For this type of heavy trash pickup service please contact OFS directly, prior to the next scheduled pick up. You will need to negotiate the onetime charge or fee with OFS. The trash company offers other services for commercial businesses, for more information please speak to OFS directly. Any questions or problems concerning trash service contact OFS at 281-457-2705.

Burning is still prohibited in "this area" (the unincorporated area of Harris County) within in the Cloverleaf community. Residents are not allowed to burn domestic trash where regularly scheduled trash pickup service is available. Burning could result in a violation and is a Class "C" misdemeanor, punishable for up to a \$500 fine. Any peace officer can issue a citation for violation of Section 352.081 of the Local Government Code. In addition, you are responsible for any damage caused by a fire you start. Please report domestic trash burning to: **Harris County Pollution Control Services 713-920-2831 or email at Pollution.Control@pcs.hctx.net.**

The Voluntary water conservation is still in effect. Unfortunately, the drought in 2011 caused new challenges for many areas of Texas causing water shortages. One of the casualties of drought is the impact on the soil and everything in it. The ground dries out so much that the soil shrinks, leaving gaps around pipes and waterlines, causing the pipes to sag and crack. The District has experienced many water main breaks during this time and repairing broken pipes, which must be dug up from underground, is very expensive. Please be diligent with checking for leaks of all kind around your homes and not just your toilets or sinks. In addition report any standing water or water leaks immediately to the office. The District counts on everyone to do their part by being aware of conserving water, which contributes in keeping the water prices as low as possible.

Visit our website at www.harriscountywcid36.com for links to all our water conservation programs, Water Smart, Water IQ and WaterSense. Also, please remember to monitor your water bill for unusually high use. Your bill and water meter are tools that can help you discover leaks which will save you money. **"Water, Use It Wisely"!**