



## Monterey County Health Department

### Management of Solid Waste During Temporary Service Disruptions

Per Monterey County Code, solid waste is required to be collected once every week (MCC 10.41.030). In the event this is disrupted, if your neighborhood becomes isolated due to road closures, landslide, or any event that prohibits routine collection of solid waste and recyclables, it will be necessary for **you** to manage these materials onsite until services can be safely restored and the waste collected.

What you can do:

1. To minimize odor and keep solid waste dry
  - a. a) minimize putrescible waste
  - b. b) double bag waste
  - c. c) fill bags half-way and close bags tight
2. Reduce volume of solid waste by separating recyclable materials
3. Maintain solid waste in closed containers and keep containers dry
4. Have on hand sanitary supplies- bleach, gloves, hand sanitizers- in case cleaning is needed for spills.