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Residents Turned out to Recycle Trees

After the New Year it's commonplace for individuals to start packing up their holiday decorations and storing them for another 11 months. What has become part of this ritual is recycling your Christmas tree. Individuals didn't disappoint this year as large numbers of Highlands Ranch residents turned out once again to participate in the Highlands Ranch Metro District's Christmas tree recycling program.

The Metro District offered Christmas tree recycling at three locations in the community through Jan. 17. An incredible total of 2,527 trees were dropped off. The Metro District forestry staff chipped these trees into 316 cubic yards of mulch valued at \$3,100. Much of the mulch was used on parkway landscape, and despite the snowy weather several residents took about 40 cubic yards of mulch for use in their yards.

Christmas tree recycling is just one way the Metro District helps support our environment. Throughout the year, the Metro District offers tree and limb recycling, household hazardous materials collection events, water conservation information and activities, outdoor education programs, and more.

For more information about how the Metro District is helping the environment, visit The Green Page on its Web site at www.highlandsranch.org, or contact the Metro District at 303-791-2710.

Founded in 1981 as the local government in Highlands Ranch, Colo., the Metro District provides a variety of municipal services to this planned community of 93,000 people. Learn more about the Metro District at www.highlandsranch.org.

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