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**BRUSH AND LEAF PICKUP START APRIL 6,
CITY COMPOST SITE CLOSED THROUGH APRIL 13**

STURGIS – City of Sturgis Department of Public Services (DPS) crews will begin spring brush and leaf pickup on Monday, April 6th. While the compost site was also scheduled to open April 6th, due to COVID-19 restrictions the City is keeping the compost site closed to the public with other City facilities through April 13th.

For brush and leaf pickup, DPS crews will start on the north side of the City and work their way south. Weather conditions, varying amounts of brush, and limited staffing due to COVID-19 will make it difficult to adhere to a strict schedule and may slow brush pickup compared to previous years. Please have your materials ready for pickup and crews will get to them as quickly as possible.

Crews will only be making one pass through the City. If you miss the April brush pickup, crews will be picking up again the first full week of May.

Rules for brush pickup are as follows:

- It is unlawful to place brush in the street (beyond the curb).
- Materials must be neatly stacked on the terrace away from objects or obstructions such as power poles, guy wires, sign posts, valve boxes, etc.
- A limit of one (1) truck load of material per parcel will be collected and hauled away.

- Limbs, branches or brush material larger than 4 inches in diameter will not be collected.
- Limbs, branches or brush material longer than 8 feet in length will not be collected.
- No grass clippings, roots, thorn bearing branches, tree trunks, stumps or construction materials will be collected.

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