

# Vegetation Management FAQs

**Q: Does SCI REMC use contractors to do tree work?**

**A:** No- we have been in-house since 2004. Provides more reliability and we can better service the members concerns being in-house.

**Q: Does SCI REMC provide wood chips to our members?**

**A:** Yes- if we happen to be in the member's home area and have wood chips that we need to dispose of, we would be glad to offer them to our members. This is based on a first come, first serve basis. If we are NOT in the area, we will keep the member's info for future reference. WE CANNOT GUARANTEE when, how much or what type of wood chips.



**Q: Is there a cost for our services?**

**A:** No- there is no additional cost to the members for having line clearance related work done. If we are unable to do the work, the supervisors will inform the member why the work can't be performed and will suggest they hire a licensed, private contractor.

**Q: Do we stump grind when removing a tree?**

**A:** No- we do not have the equipment or manpower to do stump grinding after removal

**Q: Do we clean up dead trees, storm work debris or make safes?**

**A:** No- we are unable to do clean up of the above. We are unable to chip dead trees because of damage to the equipment. Storm work debris and customer request make safes (taking the tree down below line level so it does not interfere with the line and its structures if it were to fall or be cut) do not receive any clean up after work is performed.

**Q. I have concerns about my trees and the power lines.**

**A:** SCI REMC vegetation management dept does address member requests year round. The Call Center can take your request and forward the information to one of our Arborists who will come to your property and evaluate the tree, and advise you on what course of action is needed in your particular situation. We do ask that the tree you are concerned with be marked in some fashion to allow easy identification of the tree you have concerns with to our Arborist

