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## For Immediate Release

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## MAYOR OBERLIE ANNOUNCES SPRING CLEAN-UP PLANS

**Michigan City, IN---March 10, 2008 ---** Mayor Chuck Oberlie today announced the schedule for Michigan City's Spring Clean-Up and urges citizens to use this opportunity to spruce up their homes and neighborhoods in anticipation of warmer weather.

"Though the efforts of the Michigan City Street, Refuse and Sanitation departments are pooled each year to provide spring clean up services for our residents," Mayor Oberlie stated, "this year the sprucing up is even more important. Michigan City is participating in the national America In Bloom project which promotes community pride through beautiful gardens and green spaces. Individuals, groups, clubs, churches and schools are all working together with the City to create and maintain natural beauty in our community."

Oberlie continued, "Our regular spring clean up service is a great opportunity to rid basements, garages and, especially, yards of debris that is unwanted. If each resident spends just a few hours clearing their own yards...and those of their elderly or physically-challenged neighbors...we will all experience a great pride in our community's visual beauty."

The mayor requested that, prior to the start of Spring Clean Up, all residents help with post-winter litter by disposing of any plastic bags, fast food containers and other trash that blew into yards, onto business properties and along roadways during the winter.

Before March 24th, special pick-ups in any area can be scheduled by calling 873-1500.

# REFUSE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL SPRING CLEAN-UP FOR 2008

The City of Michigan City, Refuse Department will conduct its Annual Spring Clean-Up Starting March 24, 2008. The Refuse Department requests that all residents separate the debris that is to be discarded into the following three (3) categories. All three (3) categories must be separate from each other.

1. Brush, limbs, shrubs, yard waste and unpainted concrete. (no black top)
2. Rugs, lumber, furniture and building materials of all sorts.
3. All tires rimmed or derimmed can be placed out for pick up with white goods such as stoves, refrigerator, air conditions, water tanks, dehumidifiers etc.

Residents may use curbside or alleys to put out their debris, wherever is most convenient. The clean-up process is divided into three (3) areas and the pick up for each area will be the same days as your normal refuse pick up day.

**THE DATES FOR YOUR AREA PICK-UP WILL BE AS FOLLOWS:** (a map with the description of the areas is attached)

<b>AREA 1: MARCH 24-MARCH 28</b>	<b>REPEATED APRIL 14-APRIL 18</b>
<b>AREA 2: MARCH 31-APRIL 4</b>	<b>REPEATED APRIL 21-APRIL 25</b>
<b>AREA 3: APRIL 7-APRIL 11</b>	<b>REPEATED APRIL 28 - MAY 2</b>

## COMPOST INFORMATION

Compost pick-ups will begin Monday, May 5, 2008, and will continue until November 17, 2008. You may use your garbage cans, cardboard boxes and/or paper bags. **NO PLASTIC BAGS** may be used for compost pick-ups. All compost pick-ups must be placed out on the curbside for removal and will not be picked up or removed from alleys. The resident will be responsible for getting their compost to the street. Listed below are the schedules for the regular trash pick up and the corresponding pick up day for the composting materials only.

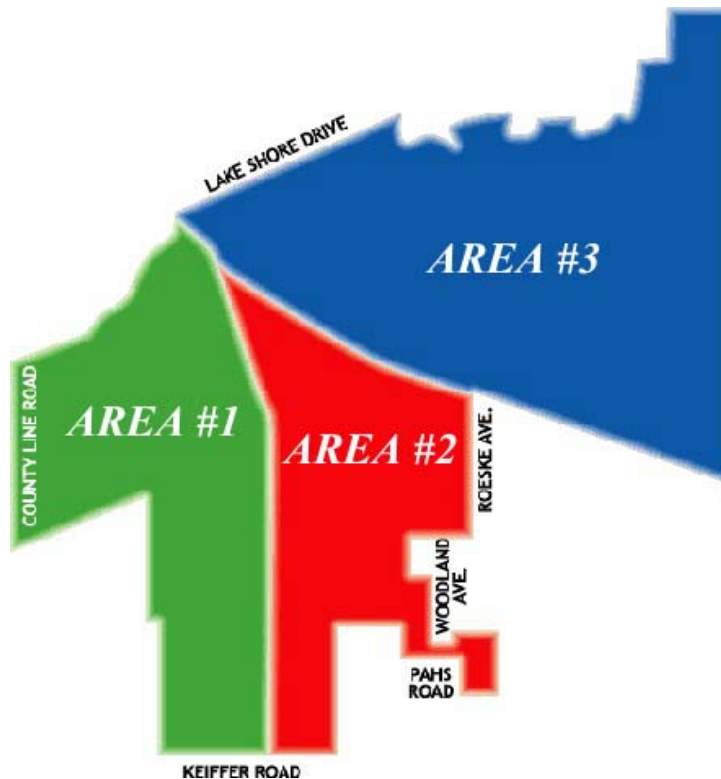
**IF YOUR REGULAR PICK UP IS:**

Monday  
Tuesday  
Wednesday  
Thursday  
Friday

**YOUR COMPOST DAY IS:**

Thursday  
Friday  
Monday  
Tuesday  
Wednesday

**“2008”  
SPRING CLEAN-UP  
SCHEDULED TO KICK OFF**



**AREA 1**

**MARCH 24-MARCH 28 & APRIL 14-APRIL 18**

Area 1 is marked by County Line Road on the west, Franklin Street on the east, Kieffer Road on the south and Second Street on the north.

**AREA 2**

**MARCH 31- APRIL 4 & APRIL 21-25**

Area 2 is marked by Franklin Street on the west, Michigan Boulevard and Roeske Avenue on the east and Second Street on the north.

**AREA 3**

**APRIL 7-11 & APRIL 28-MAY 2**

Area 3 is marked by Lake Shore Drive and U.S. 12 and Shoreland Drive on the north, Michigan Boulevard on the west and Meer Road on the east.