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NEWS RELEASE

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Curbside Recycling Reminder

Residents Asked to Help Reduce Windblown

El Paso, Texas – The City of El Paso Environmental Services Department (ESD) is asking residents to help reduce windblown trash by not rolling their recycling bins to the curb on high wind days.

The National Weather Service has issued a high wind warning for TOMORROW, Wednesday, February 22, in anticipation of very strong winds entering the region.

On windy days especially with wind gusts reaching over 40 mph, recycling bins that hold loose recyclables can be tipped over, contributing to windblown trash. Recycling bins placed out on the curb this evening, February 21, for collection on Wednesday risk tipping over and spilling their contents.

HOW RESIDENTS CAN HELP

- Recyclables are lighter than trash. If your blue bin is less than half full
 wait until your next scheduled pick to put out your bin. If you roll your
 bins to the curb do not tape the lids shut as this will prevent the bin from
 being emptied.
- Trash placed in gray bins should be bagged and is less likely to become windblown litter.
- Schedule your trip to a Citizen Collection Station, the city's trash drop-off sites, and the Greater El Paso Landfill on a non-high wind warning day.

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