

# AIR LAND & WATER

2010 Oklahoma Ice Storm

## Options for Reuse/Disposal of Damaged Utility Poles

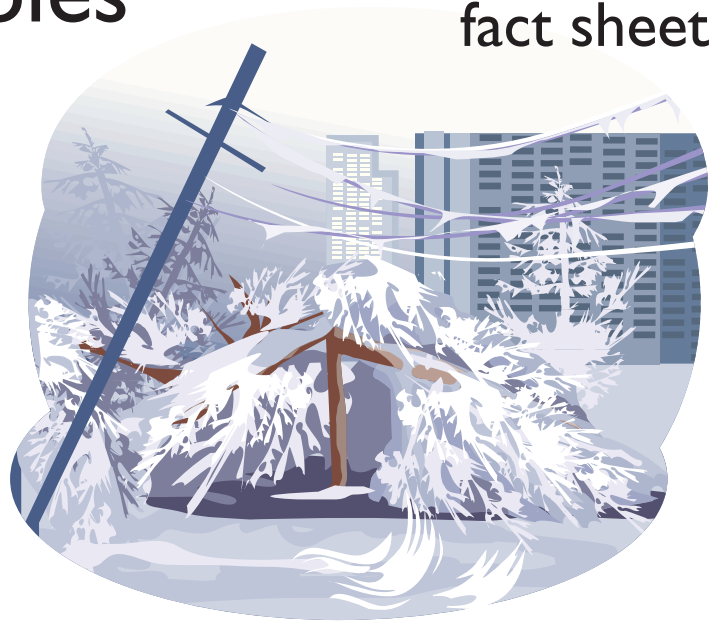
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### Burning utility poles is PROHIBITED

The following are options for reuse and the requirements for disposal of damaged utility poles.

#### REUSE

1. The utility companies may choose to contact landowners in the vicinity of the damaged utility poles and offer the poles to them. If a landowner reuses the poles, they are **not** subject to DEQ regulation.
2. The utility company can transport the damaged poles to one of their facilities and offer the poles for reuse. Poles taken for reuse **do not** fall under DEQ jurisdiction or regulation.
3. The utility company can transport the damaged poles to a site approved by the Emergency Disposal Site Evaluation and Registry procedure to stockpile and offer the poles for reuse from the site. The Emergency Disposal Site Evaluation and Registry form must be completed, submitted and approved **before** a disposal site is used. The section "Guidelines For Emergency Burning, Burial And/OR Stockpiling Of Solid Waste" outlines site criteria.



#### DISPOSAL

If poles are chipped they should not be used for mulch or bedding. Chipped utility poles must be disposed of at a permitted landfill. A list of permitted landfills is included in the Guidelines for Debris Management fact sheet. Please contact the landfill prior to transport for specific instructions. Permitted C&D Landfills can accept the utility poles for disposal.