If your water system has lost pressure for any reason (storm related or not) contact Newport’s Northeast Tri County Health at 509-447-3131 for instructions on how to disinfect your water so it will be safe to drink.

After a storm, Pend Oreille County Solid Waste anticipates a large volume of garbage due to the cleanup efforts. Specifically we accept bricks, concrete, glass window, lumber or posts, insulation, sheetrock, treated posts and such all as garbage at the normal tipping fee rates.

Aluminum or metal siding that is “clean and free” of wood, sheetrock, insulation, etc. can be recycled at the transfer station at no charge. We also recycle wire, appliance cords and other ferrous metal items that are mostly metal (i.e. dryers, hot water tanks, cast iron tubs, sinks, etc.)

Any house, shed, or garage structure debris or roofing shingles may be considered “suspect” depending on the construction material used. So they first need to be tested for asbestos and/or lead paint before disposal at the transfer station. Call or check in Spokane for a private company that can perform the appropriate test.

A household hazardous waste drop off area is located before the scale house at Deer Valley at no charge for your clean, used motor oil, antifreeze, oil paints, stains, solvents, yard or garden chemicals, pesticides, herbicides and other wastes that cannot go in with your normal garbage.

LATEX paint (water based kind) that is no longer wanted or usable should be allowed to dry out in the sun or have kitty litter or dirt added to it before disposal with your normal garbage. Note, empty, dirty, rusty metal LATEX paint cans are NOT recyclable, they are all garbage.

We accept refrigerators, freezers, A/C units and other refrigerant (Freon) based appliances for disposal but there is an additional fee for each unit. Also, each appliance must be empty of ALL FOOD contents and anything not attached. All food, glass shelving, or plastic drawers from them go in with your normal garbage and not be left in the appliance.

Contact the County Solid Waste Coordinator, at 509-447-4513; the County Hazardous Waste Coordinator at 509-671-6147; or the Deer Valley Transfer Station at 509-447-3054 for more information.