

**Are they really taking
that much away?**



Debris Removal

These activities are susceptible to false claims, false statements, bribery, and conflicts of interest.

**Recognize and Report Fraud in
Federally Funded Programs,
Contracts, and Grants**

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Selected “Red Flag” Indicators of Fraud Involving Debris Removal

False Claims

- ✓ False load tickets
- ✓ Inflated costs or double billing for work
- ✓ False or altered invoices
- ✓ False labor costs or payroll padding
- ✓ False pick-up locations for ineligible debris

False Statements

- ✓ Lies about paying subcontractors for services
- ✓ Inaccurate load capacities posted on trucks

Bribery

- ✓ Payments to influence contract award
- ✓ Payments for selection as subcontractor
- ✓ Payments during performance to ignore problems
- ✓ Payments to overstate debris volumes or weights
- ✓ Payments to write load tickets
- ✓ Payments from property owners to select dump site

Conflicts of Interest

- ✓ Government official has dollar interest in contractor
- ✓ Contractor hires relative of contracting official

Contact OIG using any of the following methods:

Online complaint form: www.oig.dot.gov/dot-oig-hotline-complaint-form

Telephone: (800) 424-9071

Fax: (704) 556-0732

E-mail: hotline@oig.dot.gov

Mail: USDOT Inspector General
1200 New Jersey Ave. S.E., Room W73-104A
Washington, DC 20590

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