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County to provide free household hazardous-waste collection event in Pinyon Communities

The Riverside County Waste Management Department has scheduled a free household hazardous-waste collection event on Saturday (May 16) in Pinyon Communities at the Pinyon Flats transfer station. The collection is open to all Riverside County residents and is scheduled to begin at 9 a.m.

The department provides an opportunity for Riverside County residents to keep hazardous waste out of the county landfills and ensure that it is properly managed. The event will accept <u>residentially generated</u> household hazardous wastes from Riverside County residents only. Waste from businesses or non-profits will not be accepted. Typical wastes include used motor oil, paint, antifreeze, household and automotive batteries, pesticides, cleaning products, sharps (needles/syringes or lancets), fluorescent lamps, and electronic wastes such as televisions, computers, VCRs and telephones. Limit the amount of waste transported to no more than 15 gallons or 125 pounds maximum per vehicle. Individual containers should be no larger than five gallons nor weigh more than 50 pounds.

The collection will not accept explosives, radioactive material, ammunition, asbestos, compressed-gas cylinders over 40 pounds, and infectious or medical waste, other than sharps.

The event is subject to cancellation during inclement weather or other hazardous conditions as determined by the county. The event is scheduled to run from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Pinyon Flats transfer station, South Pinyon Flats Road. For more information, contact the Riverside County Waste Management Department at (951) 486-3200 or (800) 304-2226, or http://www.rivcowm.org/opencms/hhw/flyers/Pinyon.pdf