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County Waste Department to provide free household hazardous waste collection event in Desert Center on February 2

The Riverside County Waste Management Department has scheduled a free household hazardous waste collection event on Thursday, February 2 in Desert Center at the Desert Center Landfill, starting at 9 a.m. The collection is open to all Riverside County residents.

The Riverside County Waste Management 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 residentially generated household hazardous wastes from Riverside County residents only. Business or non-profit waste 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 five gallons or 50 pounds maximum per vehicle.

Mixed loads containing trash and household hazardous waste will be charged according to the Landfill Fee Schedule. For mixed loads, please place household hazardous waste at the rear of the load to be unloaded first.

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

Event is subject to cancellation during inclement weather or for other hazardous conditions as determined by the county. The event will run from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Desert Center Landfill, 17-991 Kaiser Road, Desert Center. For more information, contact Riverside County Waste Management Department (951) 486-3200 or (800) 304-2226, or www.rivcowm.org.