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County waste department and Burrtec to provide free household hazardous waste collection event in Cathedral City on Saturday

The Riverside County Department of Waste Resources in cooperation with Burrtec has scheduled a free household hazardous waste collection event on Saturday (May 21) in Cathedral City at the Edom Hill Transfer Station. The collection is open to all Riverside County residents.

The department provides an opportunity for Riverside County residents to keep hazardous waste out of landfills and ensure that it is properly managed. The event will accept residentially generated 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), unused medications (except controlled substances), 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. Mixed loads containing trash and household hazardous waste will be charged according to the transfer station fee schedule. For mixed loads, please place household hazardous waste at the rear of the load so it can be unloaded first.

The collection will not accept explosives, radioactive material, ammunition, asbestos, compressed-gas cylinders over 40 pounds, or 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 Edom Hill Transfer Station, 70-100 Edom Hill Road. For more information, contact Riverside County Department of Waste Resources at (951) 486-3200 or (800) 304-2226, or <http://www.rcwaste.org/opencms/hhw/flyers/CathedralCity.pdf>