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County waste department, Burrtec to hold free household hazardous-waste event Saturday in Cathedral City

The Riverside County Department of Waste Resources, in cooperation with Burrtec, will hold a free household hazardous waste collection event Saturday (12/7) 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 waste from Riverside County residents only. Waste from businesses or nonprofits will not be accepted.

Typical waste accepted includes used motor oil, paint, antifreeze, household and automotive batteries, pesticides, cleaning products, sharps (that is, 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.

A charge for mixed loads containing trash and household hazardous waste will be based on 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.

Items that will not be accepted include explosives, radioactive material, ammunition, asbestos, compressed-gas cylinders over 40 pounds, or infectious or medical waste other than sharps.

The 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 the Riverside County Department of Waste Resources at (951) 486-3200 or (800) 304-2226, or www.rcwaste.org.