



Keep your email ideas and suggestions coming. We'd love to hear from you. How do you reduce waste for the holidays? Email us at: [tsgroup@ci.redding.ca.us](mailto:tsgroup@ci.redding.ca.us).

## Reminders!

**Hot Ashes:** Late fall is the season when we typically "fire up" our woodstoves here in the north state. Nearly every year, someone puts hot ashes in their waste wheeler, which leads to fires. Don't risk it. As a safety precaution, *never* throw hot ashes or coals in your waste wheeler. Make sure they are completely cooled, or better yet - wet them down to make sure. Bag the ashes so they don't create a mess when the cart is emptied.

**Pumpkins:** Please Do Not put pumpkins in your greenwaste cart. The City's compost facility is not permitted to accept food and vegetable waste.

**Microwaves:** You can dispose of microwaves free-of-charge at the City's Transfer Station on Abernathy Lane. Microwaves are now recycled with our electronic waste. Bring your microwave to the recycling drop-off area at the Transfer Station at 2255 Abernathy Lane. There's a little bit of paperwork to fill out, but it's now free, free, free!

## Need more info.?



City of Redding  
Solid Waste Utility  
2255 Abernathy Ln.  
P.O. Box 496071  
Redding CA 96049-6071

Office Hours: M-F, 8 am to 5:00 pm  
Gates Open: M-Sat, 8 am to 4:30 pm

Customer Service ..... 224-6201  
Household Hazardous Waste ..... 224-6209

### Holiday Schedule

**Labor Day: Sept. 3rd**

All routes one day late this week

**Thanksgiving: Nov. 22nd**

Thurs & Fri. routes one day late

## City Council Eliminates Household Hazardous Waste Gate Fees!

The Redding City Council unanimously approved a measure to eliminate household hazardous waste gate fees, effective September 1st, 2007. This is great news for Redding residents and also for residents of Anderson, Shasta Lake City and the unincorporated County - all of whom are served by the City's household hazardous waste facility.

What this means for you: You'll no longer pay a fee to dispose of common household hazardous waste products, such as: latex and oil-based paints, pesticides, herbicides, automotive products, flammable liquids and solvents, pool chemicals, household cleaning products, antifreeze, aerosol cans, and light ballasts. There are other hazardous waste products that the City did not previously charge a fee to dispose of and these items will remain free-of-charge: Automotive batteries, motor oil, oil filters, fluorescent light tubes, mercury thermostats and household batteries (alkaline, Ni-Cd, Lithium, silver oxide and button batteries.)

City officials are pleased with the recent City Council action. "Redding was one of the last jurisdictions in California to charge a fee for household hazardous waste disposal. In this industry, we want to do everything we can to encourage residents to properly dispose of household hazardous waste and this will go a long way towards making that happen," said Bonnie Low, City of Redding Public Works Supervisor and program manager for household hazardous waste programs.

There are some limitations. The facility only accepts hazardous waste generated from households. No commercially generated hazardous waste is accepted at this time. State transportation regulations limit individuals from hauling more than 5 gallons or 50 lbs. of household hazardous waste per trip. The facility is open Thursday - Saturday from 9am to 4pm. No appointment is necessary, but please call 224-6209 to ensure the facility is open. Occasionally, technicians are called away for spill response.

## Shasta County Hosts Free Tire Recycling Event

**When: Saturday, October 27, 2007**

**Time: 9:00 am to 2:00 pm**

**Where: Shasta District Fairgrounds**



**Rules:** Shasta County residents only. Maximum 9 tires per trip. Maximum of 5 tires on rims per vehicle. No tires over 72 inches in diameter. No tires from tire-generating businesses such as tire dealers, car dealers or wrecking yards. State transportation regulations limit residents to transporting a maximum of 9 tires per vehicle. Call 225-5789 if you need authorization to carry more than 9 tires - up to 20 maximum. Violators will be reported to the California Integrated Waste Management Board as an unregistered waste tire hauler.

**This event is sponsored by the Shasta County Dept. Of Resource Management. For more info call 225-5789 or 1-800-528-2850**

## LEAF SEASON NEWS



Some weather forecasters are predicting an early fall, which means leaf season may be here sooner than normal. Redding is blessed with an abundance of trees - although the residents of some neighborhoods may consider their landscape to be more of a curse than a blessing. As much as we may enjoy the beauty of the spring blossoms and the shade provided in summer, leaves become the bane of some residents every fall.

What to do if you're blessed (or cursed) with lots of leaves this fall:



Put your leaves in your greenwaste carts. City residents can have two greenwaste carts. If you'd like a second cart, please call us at 224-6201 to arrange delivery. Leaves start to decompose quickly so you may find that the cart you fill today is only 1/2 full a couple of days from now!



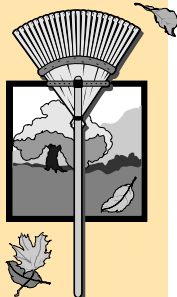
Bring excess leaves to the Transfer Station during leaf season. Leaf disposal is free for Redding Solid Waste Utility customers from November 1st to January 31st each year. Remember to bring a current City of Redding Utility bill to establish proof of eligibility.



Start a home compost bin!



**DO NOT** put leaves in the gutter. Leaves will clog storm drains and they interfere with street sweeping. Street sweepers are too low to the ground to pick up leaves. Leaves left in the gutter will also become contaminated with road debris and petrochemicals and can't be made into compost.



## The Rainy Season is Approaching...Help protect our Waterways

Did you know that by following six simple practices, you can significantly reverse the effects you may be having on the environment in relation to storm water pollution?

When it rains, runoff from our streets, sidewalks, parking lots, yards and other man-made surfaces flows into our storm drains, sweeping up litter and debris in its path. Most people don't realize that this runoff flows untreated into our waterways, carrying many pollutants that threaten our water quality and wildlife.

The most common pollutants transported into the storm drain system are sediments, contaminated soil, fertilizers, metals, detergents, pesticides, solvents, trash, oil, grease, pet waste, bacteria and viruses.

The good news is that we can all help reduce runoff pollution by including these six easy practices in our daily routines:

- 1. Set an example** for others by not littering; if you see litter, pick it up and put it in a trash can.
- 2. Keep trash containers covered** securely to prevent wind or animals from spreading litter.
- 3. Recycle hazardous waste** including used motor oil, antifreeze, paints, pesticides, etc. Don't dump them in the storm drain!
- 4. Keep leaves and yard clippings picked up** around your home. Don't blow or rake yard waste into the street or gutter. Recycle green waste. Don't use fertilizers and pesticides during winter - they'll just wash down storm drains.
- 5. Pick up pet waste.** Always keep a bag or container with you when walking your pet. Dispose of waste in a trash can or toilet.
- 6. Regularly maintain your vehicle** to avoid leaks that build up on roadway surfaces.

## Certified Centers Pay YOU for Used Motor Oil

Free hazardous waste disposal is a good thing....but getting paid is even better! Through the State of California's Certified Used Oil Recycling Center program, locations that accept used motor oil from the public are actually able to pay you for your used motor oil. How are they able to do this? Consumers pay a deposit of 4 cents per quart when buying motor oil. This deposit system creates funding for oil recycling. Think of it as an "advanced disposal fee." Certified centers offer a rebate of \$0.16 per gallon when you recycle your used motor oil. Most accept filters free-of-charge, too.

Here is a list of the Certified Used Oil Recycling Centers in Redding:

**Auto Zone:** 3251 S. Market  
**Auto Zone:** 323 Lake Blvd.  
**Auto Zone:** 2601 Churn Creek

**Cassidy's Auto Lube:** 195 Locust  
**Cassidy's Auto Lube:** 133 Parkview  
**Cassidy's Auto Lube:** 140 Lake Blvd

**Jiffy Lube:** 905 A Hartnell  
**Jiffy Lube:** 125 E. Cypress  
**Jiffy Lube:** 2123 Market St

**Kragen:** 275 Lake Blvd  
**Kragen:** 1145 Dana Drive  
**Kragen:** 192 Hartnell  
**Kragen:** 6446 Westside Rd

**Lithia Toyota:** 200 E. Cypress  
**Lithia Toyota:** 250 E. Cypress.