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Henderson County Annual Household Hazardous Waste Collection Events Begin May 19, 2015

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The Henderson County Solid Waste Division will resume its annual Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) collection events beginning Tuesday, May 19, 2015 at the Henderson County Convenience Center, located at 265 Convenience Center Drive from 8 a.m. until noon. Additional collection events will take place on June 16, July 21, August 11, and September 15, 2015. The 2014 events served almost 520 vehicles throughout the 5 events, taking in more than 53,000 pounds of household materials considered hazardous and regulated as universal waste by NC DENR.

The Solid Waste Division hosts the HHW events annually for the citizens of Henderson County to provide safe recycling and disposal of household chemicals, cleaners, pesticides, insecticides, and hazardous paint items. This year, the Solid Waste Division has added new recycling features to its overall program for citizens, including weekly mercury products recycling at the Convenience Center and, year-round latex paint recycling at the Transfer Station. The Solid Waste Division urges residents to utilize these two programs outside of the HHW schedule for easier, more convenient recycling of somewhat difficult items to recycle. All details on these programs can be found at www.hcrecycles.org.

Items brought to the Convenience Center during these events should be kept in original containers or packaging, if possible, and should be handled with utmost care. Business and commercial wastes will not be accepted. Please contact Environmental Programs for proper disposal options by calling (828) 694-6524.

All non-paint items are free of charge (including spray paint); however, liquid paints incur a \$2 per liquid gallon fee for recycling. Dried paint of any sort will not be accepted.

To decrease wait time in the HHW line at the Convenience Center, residents can now inventory their items and fill out the Material Collection form before arrival. Simply visit www.hcrecycles.org, navigate to "Household Hazardous Waste" and click on the graphic to visit the HHW homepage. Print this form and fill it out at home to save time. Be sure to bring a copy with your materials to the event.

More information on acceptable HHW items can be found online at www.hcrecycles.org. Additional questions can be directed to (828) 697-4505 or (828) 694-6524.

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