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Henderson County Solid Waste Division Latex Paint Recycling Program

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The Henderson County Solid Waste Division is adding a new, more convenient way for residents to properly recycle latex paint. Beginning on May 19th, residents can bring latex and acrylic paint across the scales at the Transfer Station, located off of Stoney Mountain Road, to a renovated facility near the tire recycling drop-off area. All events will take place from 8 a.m. until 2 p.m. on the 3rd Tuesday of the month. A helpful list of frequently asked questions regarding paint recycling can be found at www.hcrecycles.org.

All containers of latex or acrylic paint are subject to a $2 recycling fee, regardless of the amount of paint within the container. This fee should be paid after drop-off before leaving the Transfer Station once a receipt has been issued.

Citizens are encouraged to follow these quick, easy steps to ensure that latex paint is properly recycled:

- **For gallons of paint that are not full and are tacky:** take the container outside and vent the lid to evaporate moisture. After 8-12 hours, fill the container with cat litter to solidify the product. Once the paint is as solid as possible, replace the lid tightly and throw this paint away with other household trash.

- **For gallons of paint that are fully liquid:** containers can be condensed, but only with other latex paint. Never mix latex paint with oil-based or acrylic paints to ensure that recycling can take place. Bring this paint to the Transfer Station on the 3rd Tuesday of every month between 8 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Please note that dried paint of any sort will not be accepted. This program is for use only by residents and paint from businesses or commercial entities will not be accepted.

For more information on the details of this new recycling program, visit www.hcrecycles.org. Additional questions can be directed to (828) 697-4505 or (828) 694-6524.

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