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 news from Allied Waste of Corvallis

THINK COMPOST

At Allied Waste, we see things a little differently than most. The smell of fresh cut grass, bulbs blooming and sunny days don't make us think Spring; we think COMPOST. This is the time of year when Pacific Region Compost ramps up production to handle the additional tons of organic material coming through its gates. Over 1,000 tons of yard debris is collected during Spring months from just the Corvallis area. That material is composted rather than landfilled and results in a beneficial soil amendment that closes the loop locally when used on farms, in gardens and in flower beds.

Whether you compost at home or send organics to Pacific Region Compost, there are substantial benefits:

- **Compost retains soil moisture and increases soil nutrients.**
- **Compost decreases the need for commercial chemicals.**
- **Compost prevents soil erosion.**
- **Compost is a sustainable solution to divert organics from landfills. Composting organics is beneficial to recover nutrient rich material.**

Finished compost is available at Pacific Region Compost and Tom's Garden Center locally, and is also available for larger commercial operations. If at home composting is for you, call to have a Earth Machine composter delivered. Customers may have either a yard debris cart or composter at no additional charge.

Pacific Region Compost

(PRC)

29969 Camp Adair Rd
(1 mile east of Coffin Butte Landfill)

541-745-5831

Open Monday through Saturday

8-5 April 1 Oct. 31

8-4 Nov. 1 Mar. 31

CLOSED SUNDAYS

Closed Christmas, New Years Day, Memorial Day, 4th of July, Labor Day & Thanksgiving

Cash, Checks, Debit & Credit Cards Accepted

www.pacificregioncompost.com

Celebrate Earth Day Your Way

Earth Day is April 22. Below are some suggestions for celebrating the 41st anniversary of this event in your own way.

EVENTS

Join Allied Waste at the Corvallis Waterfront Earth Fair, April 16 and OSU Community Earth Fair, April 19 to learn about what's new in recycling, composting and waste reduction. The OSU Earth Fair is located on the Memorial Union Quad from 11a.m. to 2 p.m.

April 16 & 23, support sustainable local agriculture with a visit to the Corvallis Farmers Market on the Corvallis Waterfront, which opens April 16 for the season. The Mid Willamette Valley Plant a Row for the Hungry program will be on hand along with live music on the 23rd www.locallygrown.org

April 16, Procession of the Species. Costumes should represent earth, water, air or fire. Noon. www.ci.corvallis.or.us/pr

HOME

Stop receiving catalogs, credit card offers and junk mail by going to: www.catalogchoice.org or

www.optoutprescreen.com

Bike or walk to work.

Avoid printing for one whole day.

Calculate your carbon footprint at:

www.epa.gov/climatechange/emissions/ind_calculator

Visit the Corvallis Sustainability Coalition website to find out about ways to get involved locally.

www.sustainablecorvallis.org



Technology is a great way to connect to new information. Smart phone users can use the QR Code above to connect to the Allied Waste website recycling page to find the latest in recycling. All you need is QR-reading software like Beetag, Scanlife or a host of others that are freely available. (remember to recycle your old cell phone at the Allied Waste e-waste depot)



smartphone



Find more information at: www.corvallis.disposal.com



Calendar

Corvallis Spring Recycle Event April 9, 2011

9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wood, yard debris, appliances and other scrap metal and 110 NE Walnut Blvd (Enter from Belvue St.)

Prescription Drug Take Back April 30, 2011

110 NE Walnut Blvd (Enter from Belvue St.) See details below.

Household Hazardous Waste Event May 14, 2011

9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Hazardous materials including: pesticides, herbicides, automotive fluids, paint, solvents, cleaners, fluorescent light ballasts & tube and batteries accepted. No charge for residential customers. Business customers must call PCS at 1-800-547-2436 for an appointment.

Tangent Recycle Event May 21, 2011

8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wood, yard debris, appliances and other scrap metal and electronics accepted at no charge. J & H Trucking lot, Hwy 99.

Monroe Recycle Event June 11, 2011

8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wood, yard debris, appliances and other scrap metal.

Adair Recycle Event July 9, 2011

Wood, yard debris, appliances and other scrap metal.

Household Hazardous Waste Event July 16, 2011

9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Hazardous materials including: pesticides, herbicides, automotive fluids, paint, solvents, cleaners, fluorescent light ballasts & tubes and batteries accepted. No charge for residential customers. Business customers must call PCS at 1-800-547-2436 for an appointment.

FAQ's:

When is glass collected?

For customers with glass collection, it is picked up on the first full week of the month. Glass is collected separately in a bin or bucket beside the tan cart, not in it. Print a glass calendar at: www.corvallis.disposal.com

Which plastics can be recycled in the tan cart?

Make it easy and remember these four shapes: Plastic Bottles
Plastic Jugs
Plastic Tubs
Plastic Jars
(Please no Styrofoam or plastic bags.)



How can I schedule

a trash pickup, request service or order a dumpster?

Go to www.corvallis.disposal.com and click on "Contact Us." All of these services can be scheduled online, when it's convenient for you. You may also call during business hours to have a customer service representative assist you at: 541-754-0444.



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Contact Us:

Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
110 NE Walnut Blvd, Corvallis
541-754-0444

After hours, leave a message and we will call you back.
or find us on the web.

For general information: www.corvallis.disposal.com

For on-line bill pay options: www.disposal.com

To pay by phone: 877-692-9729.



Prescription Drug Take Back

The City of Corvallis, law enforcement and Allied Waste are partnering to take back prescription drugs for proper disposal. In the past, the recommended disposal method was to flush unused drugs down the toilet. This is a bad idea because many of the drugs we use can pass through the wastewater plant and be discharged to the Willamette River where they can potentially affect aquatic life and people downstream.

It is also not safe to keep old medications around. Medications are a leading cause of household poisoning, both accidental (usually kids) and intentional. On April 30, the Drug Enforcement Administration is sponsoring a nationwide event for citizens to drop off unused and unwanted medications. There is no fee and no questions will be asked. The City's Drug Take Back event will from 10 am to 2 pm at Allied Waste, 110 NE Walnut Blvd. Watch the City's Website and the Gazette-Times for more details.