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HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DISPOSAL DAY IS MAY 9TH

CHICAGO, IL ---Commissioners of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (District) encourage residents to participate in the Household Hazardous Waste Disposal Day on Saturday, May 9th at Elk Grove Village High School between the hours of 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. The High School is located at 500 West Elk Grove Boulevard, Elk Grove Village. Targeted communities invited to participate in the HHW Day include Elk Grove Village, Schaumburg, Des Plaines, Arlington Heights, Mt. Prospect and Rolling Meadows.

Trained technicians will be on-site to collect a variety of common waste products; including: anti-freeze, auto batteries, drain cleaners, fluorescent bulbs, fungicides, furniture strippers, household cleaners, insecticides, medicines, metal polishes, paint removers, oil-based paints, pool chemicals, solvents, used oils, and weed killers. All regular household waste will be disposed in a safe and proper manner.

Auto batteries, fire extinguishers, and propane tanks will be accepted, however, these must be empty of all contents, fully contained and the contents clearly marked.

Prohibited and not accepted are: cellular telephones, eyeglasses, business waste, latex paints, medical waste, smoke detectors, tires, ammunition, explosives, fireworks, and agricultural waste.

The Household Hazardous Waste Disposal Day program is sponsored by the District, the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, and Elk Grove Village. Additional information is available from the MWRDGC at 312/751-6633 or its website, www.mwrd.org.

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