

The Red Willow County Household Hazardous Waste Program and Southwest Nebraska RC&D has scheduled collection events in southwest Nebraska to help local residents dispose of potentially hazardous household products at no charge.

Collection events will be held on Saturday, March 14 for Grant, Benkelman, Haigler, Imperial and Wauneta; and on March 21 in Cambridge, Arapahoe, Beaver City, Oxford, Hayes Center, Palisade, Stratton, Trenton and Culbertson.

In Imperial, the collection on March 14 will be from 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon at the city office parking lot.

Items accepted include cleaning chemicals, yard and garden chemicals, used motor oil, batteries, paint, etc. They will not accept appliances, tires or construction waste.

Materials should be delivered to the collection site in sturdy, disposable containers labeled according to the contents and no larger than five gallons or 50 lbs.

HHW program personnel reserve the right to reject any materials. Program sponsors remind residents to purchase only the amount of product they will use whenever possible.

Resources for this collection event are provided by Red Willow County Household Hazardous Waste Program, Western Rural Fire District HazMat Team and local volunteers with coordination provided by Southwest Nebraska RC&D.

Disposal expenses are provided by the Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality—Waste Reduction and Recycling program.

If you have questions, contact Jennifer ten Bensel, Southwest Nebraska RC&D Executive Administrator, at 308-697-3477 or Bill Elliott, Southwest Nebraska HHW Program Manager, at 308-345-7888.