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WHAT IS NEW WITH SOLID WASTE OD DEQ?

UPCOMING EVENTS & REMINDERS

STATEWIDE EXTRA-LARGE TIRE PROGRAM

Extra-large tires used in agriculture, timber, heavy construction, and mining industries pose a difficult recycling problem. To help collect, transport, and process these off-road waste tires, the Regional Recycling District in Pulaski County designed, and DEQ's Tire Accountability Program (TAP) approved, a statewide extra-large tire program. That program is currently operational and addressing the estimated 11,000 extra-large tires stockpiled statewide. For more information, contact:

- CRAIG DOUGLASS: craig@regionalrecycling.org
- TAMMIE HYNUM, TAP Sr. Manager: hynum@adeq.state.ar.us

E-WASTE & HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE EVENT

The Southwest Central Regional Solid Waste Management District is offering an E-Waste and Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event on Saturday, October 17, 2020, at two different locations:

- HOT SPRINGS GARLAND COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS
 501.321.6911
- ARKADELPHIA CLARK COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS
 870.246.9864 or 870.246.1803

Both locations are collecting household hazardous waste, but only Hot Spring Garland County Fairgrounds is taking e-waste.

RECENT UPDATES

SUBMITTAL OF GROUNDWATER REPORTS

To improve the submittal process of groundwater reports, DEQ has created an email address specifically for the submittal of this report. Submit your groundwater reports to: gwreports@ adeq.state.ar.us.

For more information, contact Caroline Rieger at 501.682.0999.

POLICY UPDATES

- Regarding the pre-application process, DEQ requires the applicants to attend a preapplication conference to discuss application requirements and the findings of the preliminary site investigation as allowed by the Arkansas Department of Energy & Environment, Pollution Control and Ecology Commission (PC&EC) Regulation No. 22.303(a).
- As allowed by the PC&EC Regulation No. 22.303(b), applicants are required to submit a
 preliminary geotechnical report that meets the requirements of Chapter 11 prior to the
 submittal of a permit application. Once the geotechnical report has been reviewed and
 meets the requirements of Chapter 11, the facilities can proceed to submit a permit
 application. If this requirement is not submitted prior to the permit application, then DEQ will
 return the application and the fee to the facility.



Southwest Central Regional Solid Waste Management District sponsored an E-Waste Collection Event on August 15, 2020, at the Hot Springs Convention Center. Thanks to this event, approximately 13.07 tons of electronics were collected for recycling. In addition to this event, the District plans to have two more events. By providing an easy way for people to safely dispose of e-waste, these types of events create opportunity and encourage recycling, recover old materials to reuse in new products, and promote ways to tackle the escalating e-waste problem.