

Group shores up waste collection day plans

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WORLAND — The sixth annual Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day will be held Saturday, May 10 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Worland Landfill.

The Reduce/Reuse/Recycle Coalition (R3) met Friday afternoon for their final organizational meeting, and they are expecting 40 volunteers so far for this year's event.

Volunteers include individuals from the BLM, Public Health, Washakie Weed and Pest, Fire Department, USDA Service Center, local volunteers, local volunteers and three people from the Wyoming Boys School. Food, beverages and materials for the event have been donated by various local businesses.

Will be accepting both agricultural and household generated: pesticides and herbicides, paint, anti-freeze, used motor oil, household cleaners and solvents, automobile and rechargeable batteries, refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners, photographic chemicals and strong acids.

They will not accept explosives, fireworks, gunpowder, ammunition, PCB's (polychlorinated biphenyls) radioactive waste or biohazard material

In 2006, a total of 1,518 containers of paint, 27 vehicle batteries and 42 refrigerated units were collected. 1999 was the year when there were 80 plus refrigerated units collected.

In previous years, used motor oil has risen from 1,054.5 gallons in 2003 to 2,407 gallons in 2006. In 1999, only 864 gallons were collected.

The R3 Coalition is also looking for volunteers to help staff the event. If anyone has any questions or would like to volunteer, they can contact Caryn Agee at 347-2456 ext. 121 or Phyllis Lewis at 347-3431.