

A Chance to Recycle Electronic, Hazardous Wastes

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Sanitation District's collection facility in Antioch, where the district recently expanded its hazardous waste collection program to accept electronic wastes.

The Delta Diablo facility is at 2550 Pittsburg-Antioch Hwy. in Antioch, between Somersville and Loveridge roads.

As of Sept. 1 its hours are 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday to accept household hazardous, electronic and universal wastes for recycling. Nominal fees are charged for some materials.

Universal wastes include fluorescent bulbs and household batteries.



The district will impose no charge for computer monitors, televisions, laptop computers or plasma televisions.

Small computer peripherals, por-

table electronic equipment, telephones, answering machines and electronic cameras carry a \$1 per item fee.

Inkjet printers, VCRs, DVD players, stereo equipment, scanners, desktop printers and uninterrupted power supply devices carry a \$2 fee; fax machines, CPUs and desktop printers a \$5 fee; and large copiers and high-volume printers a fee of 20 cents per pound.

For more information about the sanitation district's e-waste, universal waste and household hazardous waste disposal policies, log on to www.ddsd.org or call (925) 756-1990.

Joint Effort to Cut Pollution from Mowers

Brentwood residents can help reduce air pollution by switching from gas-powered lawn mowers to electric mowers and save \$70 by making the switch.

The price savings applies to the 19-inch Craftsman electric lawn mower sold at Orchard Supply Hardware, which is offering a \$50 store rebate and a \$20 mail-in rebate for residents purchasing the electric mower.

The rebate offer is for only one mower per customer or household on the 19-inch Craftsman model. The rebate offer lasts through Oct. 31 or as long as the subsidy lasts, OSH officials say on the mail-in rebate application.

Persons wanting to take advantage of the rebate offer can go to the

website, www.wastediversion.org, and download the rebate applications or log on to www.ci.brentwood.ca.us and click on "Solid Waste" under "Departments."

Purchasers should be prepared to show proof of residency. When applying for the mail-in rebate, you must include the original receipt. It will be returned with the rebate check.

The \$50 price discounts are funded by Orchard Supply Hardware.

The \$20 mail-in rebates are sponsored and funded by the cities of Antioch, Brentwood, Clayton, Concord, Martinez and San Ramon and the Central Contra Costa Solid Waste Authority, West Contra Costa Integrated Waste Management Authority and Contra Costa County.

City Offers Rebates for Efficient Washers

Brentwood residents buying high-efficiency washing machines qualify for a \$150 rebate from the City of Brentwood, a Public Works Department spokeswoman has announced.

High-efficiency means that the machines are more efficient in their use both of water and energy, says Diana Williford, a Water Reclamation Specialist for the City.

Shoppers need only to look at any appliance dealer's store for washers marked "HE" or "high efficiency."

That designation is not isolated to any particular brand of washer, Williford says.

Pacific Gas and Electric Co. already offers rebates to shoppers buying the high-efficiency washers. This is the first time Brentwood has offered such rebates, Williford says, and the City rebates can be combined with PG&E's.

To qualify for the rebate, which expires in December, 2008, or earlier if funds run out, residents need only ask the dealers for the rebate forms which are self explanatory.



Commercial Waste Bins Available for Cleanups

Commercial waste bins are available for construction, remodeling or cleanup projects, says a City Solid Waste Division official.

"We offer cleanup boxes in a wide variety of sizes for disposal of extra garbage or debris," says Solid Waste Supervisor Gary Parenti. "The boxes range from 2 cubic yards to 8 cubic yards for smaller projects. For larger projects

they are available in sizes ranging from 10 cubic yards to 40 cubic yards."

Residents needing boxes for remodeling and home improvement work should call the City's Solid Waste Division for prices and an assessment of their needs. Boxes for dirt and concrete are also available.

For more information, call the Solid Waste Division at (925) 516-6090.