

HPCC

August Update



SOME ANNUAL NUMBERS

FLAMMABLE SUBSTANCES

21,400 pounds

AUTOMOTIVE FLUIDS

17,700 pounds

BATTERIES

7,200 pounds

TOXIC – POSIONOUS SUBSTANCES

6,200 pounds

CORROSIVE MATERIALS

3,000 pounds

E-WASTE

62,250 pounds

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) is a household material which if improperly used or disposed poses a threat to human health or the environment. Many HHW materials contain the same chemicals that are regulated as industrial chemicals or wastes. HHW does pose the same environmental hazards and potential health threats as their industrial counterparts.

The staff of the HPCC handles HHW in the same manner you would industrial hazardous waste utilizing several processes. The most common process used is loose packing. HHW that is dropped off in individual containers with the same characteristics are "loose packed" together into larger containers.

Mercury, pesticides and corrosive materials are commonly loose packed. Another process used is bulking material. In this process individual containers are poured into (bulked) a larger container for shipment. Typically flammable liquids and paints are bulked. These processes help keep monetary cost down.

August has been another record month for visitors with 379. That places the HPCC 104 visitors over last year. The cost per visitor is at \$49.00, well below the national average. Over 184,000 pounds of HHW has been collected this year with a recycling rate of 89%. If you would like more information, contact David Tavares at (480) 350-2819.