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What to Do With Used Turkey Fryer Oil? Don't be a turkey –Recycle your grease

Whether you stuff, roast or deep-fry the bird, holiday cooking can create a significant amount of grease. You can help put that grease to good use – and keep it from ruining your pipes – by having it recycled. The City of Tempe is partnering with Rev Biodiesel, the Valley's only cooking-grease-to-biodiesel recycling facility, to provide a convenient way for residents to recycle turkey grease and other used cooking oil.

From Nov. 21 to Jan. 15, Tempe residents can bring used cooking oil from deep fat fryers and other holiday cooking for recycling to four convenient locations:

- Household Products Collection Center – 1320 E. University Dr.
- Fire Station #2 – 1450 E. Apache Blvd.
- Fire Station #3 – 5440 S. McClintock Dr.
- Fire Station #4 – 300 E. Elliot Rd.

Residents can pour fryer and cooking grease directly into barrels at the collection locations, or simply place containers of grease on a spill proof surface next to the barrels. Fats, oils and grease can wreak havoc on residential plumbing and municipal sewer systems. By recycling cooking grease, residents can help divert thousands of pounds of cooking oil away from drains and sewers, creating more sustainable sewer infrastructure and reducing greenhouse gas emissions by displacing the consumption of fossil fuels.

For more information, visit www.tempe.gov/turkeygrease or call 480-350-4311.



Dust Control and How Can You Help

The City of Tempe in partnership with other municipal and non-municipal stakeholders in the Phoenix metropolitan area; has implemented programs to help the region meet Federal Clean Air Act standard for PM -10. Avoid violations of the Tempe City code, Sec 13A-52. Do not use leaf blowers on dirt or unstablized surfaces, Do not use leaf blowers to blow debris into a public roadway, and do not use leaf blowers during any high particulate matter pollution advisory day. Remind any contractors doing landscaping work for your facility of these regulations. Call (480) 350-2678 if you see track-out, dirt or debris from leaf blowing deposited on a Tempe public road. For further information visit:



<http://www.tempe.gov/modules/showdocument.aspx?documentid=1215>

What Is Stormwater Smart?

“Be Stormwater Smart” and visit our website for Best Management Practices you can use to reduce the risk of adding pollutants to stormwater. <http://www.tempe.gov/stormwater>

You can also use this website to learn more about Tempe's Stormwater Management Program, to report illicit discharges to storm drains, or to file a stormwater related complaint.

Remember that it is a violation of the City of Tempe Code to cause or allow a non-stormwater discharge to a stormwater drain!

As required by Tempe's stormwater permit, Environmental Compliance Inspectors have significantly increased commercial and industrial stormwater inspections. If you would like to schedule an inspection at your facility, please call: (480) 350-2678.

