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**TEHAMA COUNTY PARTNERSHIP LEADS THE CHARGE FOR PROPER
RECYCLING OF HOUSEHOLD BATTERIES AND CELLPHONES**

(Red Bluff, CA) – The change in season is a reminder to change out old batteries in devices like smoke alarms, flashlights, remotes and more.

But what do you do with your old batteries? Instead of throwing them in the trash, which has significant impacts on Tehama County's environmental health and is illegal in California, the Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency is reminding residents that recycling unwanted batteries and cellphones is easy and free!



Tehama County Librarian Todd Deck showing how to recycle household batteries.

Thanks to eleven Tehama County businesses and community partners, you can recycle used batteries and cellphones conveniently at some of the businesses where you do your daily shopping. To date, these 11 locations have successfully recycled 650 lbs. of batteries and cellphones.

Participating is simple:

1. Prepare batteries and cellphones by individually bagging them – one item per plastic bag! Plastic bags are also supplied with the boxes in case you forget to bag them ahead of time. Alternately, each end of the battery can be taped to prevent them from sparking in the box and causing fires.
2. Find one of the 11 convenient participating locations online at <http://www.co.tehama.ca.us/toxics/batteries> or by calling (530) 528-1103.
3. Bring your bagged and/or taped items to the location during regular business hours and place them in the collection box.

Accepted items include single-use alkaline batteries, rechargeable batteries, and cellphones of any make, model, or age. A full list of accepted battery types can also be found on the Agency's website.

The new retail recycling program supplements the successful "Orange Bag" curbside battery recycling program, which allows residents serviced by GreenWaste of Tehama to recycle their


single-use alkaline batteries by placing the batteries in a designated orange bag and depositing the bag inside their curbside recycling bin for pick up. More information about the Orange Bag program is available on the Agency’s website under Toxics (<http://www.co.tehama.ca.us/toxics/batteries>).

“We are pleased to offer this service to our customers, and help keep these toxic materials out of the landfill,” said Todd Deck, Tehama County Librarian. “It’s easy to use – just bring your bagged or taped batteries and cellphones to the Red Bluff or Corning branches of the Tehama County Library and we’ll take care of the rest!”

For more information on recycling household batteries, cellphones, and other products, visit the Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency website at www.tehamacountylandfill.com or call 530-528-1103.

Tehama County Battery and Cell Phone Business Drop-Off Locations:

Collection Site	Address	Phone
Alsco Inc.	535 Antelope Boulevard, Red Bluff	(530) 527-4001
Corning Senior Center	1015 4th Avenue, Corning	(530) 824-4727
Gott Country Store	18371 Bowman Road, Cottonwood	(530) 347-9008
Lassen Volcanic National Park – Kohm Yah-mah-nee Visitors Center	21820 Lassen Peak Highway, Mineral	(530) 595-4480
Latimer's Pharmacy	7885 Golden State Highway, Los Molinos	(530) 384-2330
McCoy's Ace Hardware	2060 South Avenue, Corning	(530) 824-2156
Nu Way Market	8049 Golden State Highway, Los Molinos	(530) 384-1563
Sears Hometown Store	570 South Main Street, Red Bluff	(530) 527-6640
Tehama County Library - Corning Branch	740 3rd Street, Red Bluff	(530) 824-7050
Tehama County Library - Red Bluff Branch	545 Diamond Avenue, Red Bluff	(530) 527-0604
Z-Wireless of Corning	908 Highway 99 W, Corning	(530) 824-3300

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Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency works to protect public health and the environment in the County of Tehama through integrated, cost effective, and environmentally sound solid waste management. The Agency strives to conserve natural resources, sustain the environment, and reduce solid waste being landfilled through innovative leadership and effective grant and outreach programs that foster a sense of responsibility and inspire action by Tehama County residents. For more information, please go to: www.tehamacountylandfill.com

California Product Stewardship Council (CPSC) educates both the public and private sectors about Product Stewardship and closely partners with business, jurisdictions, waste and recycling companies, manufacturers and others to promote and encourage sustainable practices and to recognize those companies who are taking a leadership role in participating in waste reduction. For more information, please go to: www.CalPSC.org.