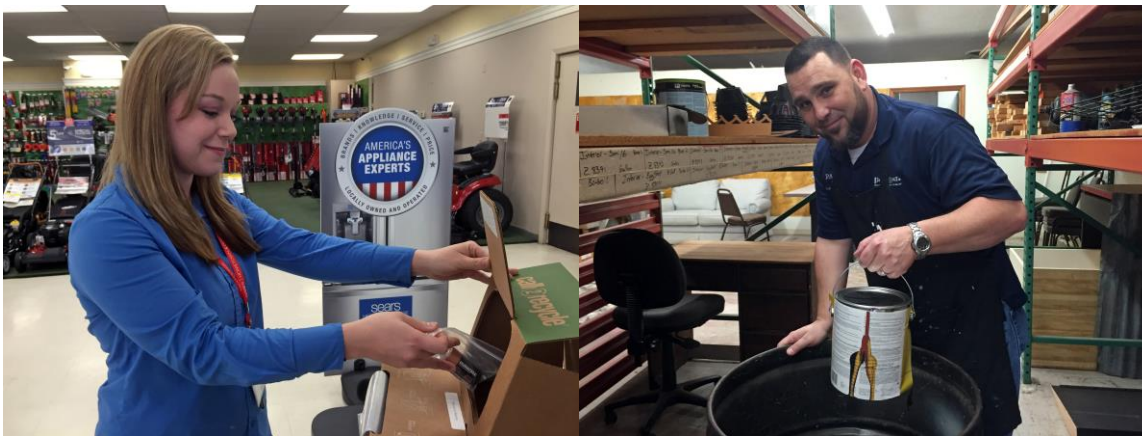




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Nicole Foutch (Red Bluff Sears) showing how to use the battery & cell phone box

Paul Gilmore with Red Bluff Paint Mart, a local PaintCare participating retailer

SPRING INTO THE NEW SEASON WITH A CLEAN HOME!

Clean Out and Safely Dispose of Household Hazardous Waste

(Red Bluff, CA) – Soon, many households will be doing their annual spring cleaning. To help, the Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency is reminding residents about proper disposal of common household products such as paint, engine oil, pesticides and herbicides, fluorescent lights, batteries, and 1 lb. propane cylinders, just to name a few.

These products and others, commonly identified by labels such as “caution,” “toxic,” “flammable,” “poison,” “corrosive,” or “dangerous,” are Household Hazardous Waste (HHW), meaning that they cannot be disposed of in the household trash or recycling and require special handling to prevent exposure to people, pets, and the environment.

Fortunately, there are free and convenient disposal options available for Tehama County residents (small fees apply for businesses) to safely dispose of HHW. Items in good condition are handed back out to fellow Tehama County residents for reuse!

Through the REuse of Available Products (REAP) program offered at the Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency’s office, products brought to regularly scheduled HHW collection events are evaluated for redistribution. The program gives certain products such as paint, household cleaners,

fertilizers, and others new life, providing useful products to your friends and neighbors free-of-charge and saving ratepayers money by reducing HHW management costs. Please ensure products are in their original containers with labelling intact if you want the products evaluated for reuse.

HHW is accepted from households **free-of-charge** during regularly scheduled HHW collection events at the following locations:

- Tehama County/Red Bluff Landfill HHW Facility (19995 Plymire Road, Red Bluff)
- Corning Disposal HHW Facility (3281 Highway 99W, Corning)

Visit www.tehamacountylandfill.com for a calendar of upcoming collection events.

Additionally, many Tehama County retailers and other community partners now accept certain types of HHW for disposal as part of innovative public-private partnership collection programs that make getting rid of your unwanted products easier than ever!

Certain retailers, for example, now accept unwanted household batteries and cell phones for recycling **free-of-charge** through the [Call2Recycle](#) battery and cell phone collection box program. To participate, simply bring your unwanted batteries and cell phones to one of the following convenient collection locations during normal business hours and place them into the collection box:

- AlSCO Inc. (535 Antelope Boulevard, Red Bluff)
- Corning Senior Center (1015 4th Avenue, Corning)
- Gott Country Store (18371 Bowman Road, Cottonwood)
- Lassen National Park - Kohm Yah-mah-nee Visitors Center (21820 Lassen Peak Highway, Mineral)
- Latimer's Pharmacy (7885 Golden State Highway, Los Molinos)
- McCoy's Ace Hardware (2060 South Avenue, Corning)
- Nu Way Market (8049 Golden State Highway, Los Molinos)
- Sears Hometown Store (570 South Main Street, Red Bluff)
- Tehama County Library - Corning Branch (740 3rd Street, Corning)
- Tehama County Library - Red Bluff Branch (645 Madison Street, Red Bluff)
- Z-Wireless Corning (908 Highway 99 W, Corning)


Accepted items include single-use alkaline batteries, rechargeable batteries, and cellphones of any make, model, or age. For a full list of acceptable batteries, visit <http://www.co.tehama.ca.us/toxics/batteries>. Please note that the program requires items be specially prepared to prevent them from sparking inside the collection box: batteries and cell phones must be placed *individually* into plastic bags prior to deposit, or battery terminals (connections) can be taped instead of individually bagging.

Similarly, unwanted paint can now be recycled at local participating retailers **free-of-charge** through the [PaintCare](#) paint product stewardship program. The paint types accepted by PaintCare include house paint and primers, stains, sealers, and clear coatings (e.g., shellac and varnish) tightly sealed in their original containers. The following Tehama County retailers participate in PaintCare:

- Corning Ace Hardware (2020 Solano Street, Corning)
- Los Molinos Ace Hardware (7930 State Highway 99E, Los Molinos)
- Paint Mart (435 Antelope Boulevard, Red Bluff)

Through these programs and other innovative solutions offered by the Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency, it has never been easier to spring into the new season with a clean home! For more information on how to donate, recycle, or dispose of unwanted HHW and other products, visit the

Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency website at www.tehamacountylandfill.com or call 530-528-1103.

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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.