

## Earth Machine Compost Bins



### AVAILABLE AT:

- Hood River Garbage**  
3440 Guignard Dr., Hood River
- The Dalles Disposal**  
1317 W First St., The Dalles
- Mel's Sanitary Service**  
Transfer Station  
57590 Yew Dr., Tygh Valley
- Mid-Columbia Producers**  
**Wasco Farm Store**  
820 Hwy 206, Wasco

## New online course helps Oregonians learn basics of recycling and save money



Oregonians who want to positively impact their community's environment can now enroll in Recycling 101, an innovative, noncredit online recycling education course. Offered by Professional and Noncredit Education at Oregon State University, Recycling 101 draws on research-based best practices, case studies and instructional multimedia to introduce participants to the life cycle of recyclables, hazardous waste and compostables. Participants who complete the course will learn how to reduce waste in their home and workplace. This course also profiles small local businesses that have applied recycling best practices and significantly reduced costs and environmental impact. The interactive course is self-paced and allows participants to connect with key leaders in community waste reduction efforts. Recycling 101 is modeled after the successful Master Recycler program. Unfortunately, we have suspended our local Master Recycler course offerings here in the Gorge; However, our program is committed to supporting Recycling 101 by covering half of the registration costs for anybody residing within our three-county service area, as long as they then join our Master Recycler group by promising to log fifteen hours of community service by applying locally what you learned through Recycling 101. Dozens of private, nonprofit and governmental organizations throughout Oregon contributed financial and curriculum support to develop Recycling 101, including our own Tri-County Hazardous Waste & Recycling Program. Registration is now open, and the course launches in February 2013.

For further details, go to: <https://pne.oregonstate.edu/catalog/recycling-101>

Have extra supplies from company inventory, but don't want to throw them away? List them on joeboard, the only business materials exchange in the Gorge.

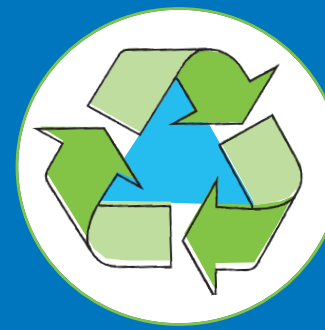


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## Tri-County Hazardous Waste and Recycling Program

serving Wasco, Sherman, and Hood River Counties

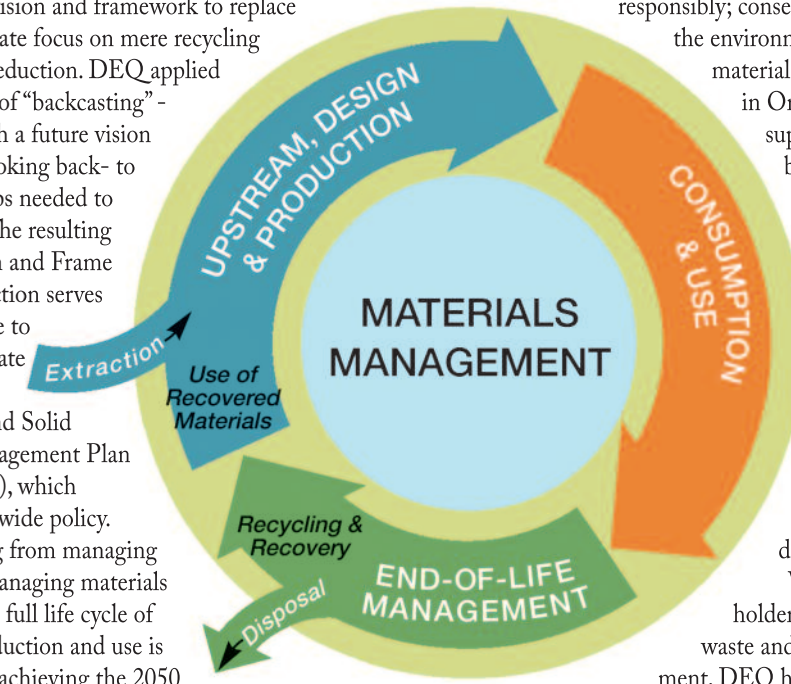
# Reduce Waste + Recycle More

[www.tricountyrecycle.com](http://www.tricountyrecycle.com)

## Creating a Vision in Oregon for Materials Management

In 2011, the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) convened a workgroup represented by businesses, local governments, solid waste management specialists, non-governmental organizations and others to develop a long-term vision and framework to replace the inadequate focus on mere recycling and waste reduction. DEQ applied the process of "backcasting" - starting with a future vision and then looking back- to identify steps needed to achieve it. The resulting 2050 Vision and Framework for Action serves as an update to Oregon's State Integrated Resource and Solid Waste Management Plan (1995-2005), which guides statewide policy.

"Shifting from managing wastes to managing materials through the full life cycle of design, production and use is essential to achieving the 2050 Vision", said Abby Boudouris, the DEQ policy analyst who coordinated the agency's effort to produce the document.



The 2050 Vision describes a desired future where Oregonians live within the limits of their sustainable share of the world's natural resources. According to this outlook, Oregonians in 2050 produce and use materials responsibly; conserve resources, protect the environment, and live well. Also materials and products—both made in Oregon and used in Oregon—support human health, well-being and healthy, resilient environments and communities. Sustainable use of materials is described as allowing for all people to enjoy a prosperous, clean economy and fulfilled lives, now and in the future, whereby materials have the most useful life possible before and after discard.

With input from stakeholders around the state in solid waste and hazardous waste management, DEQ has framed a refreshing all-encompassing view of the impacts of our consumption upon our own lives, upon our environment and upon future generations.

For further details about this ongoing process (including comprehensive background documents and further reading), go to: <http://www.deq.state.or.us/lq/sw/materialsmgmtplan.htm>



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**110 TONS** of Building Materials **DIVERTED** last year & back in **REUSE!**  
That's a HUGE dent in our local waste stream. Remember to...  
**BRING & BUY at GRC**  
All donations are tax deductible!

Tim Willis, Manager  
Tues - Sat, 10am to 5pm  
1001 W. 6th St, The Dalles  
**NEW LOCATION 541-296-4486**

reduce waste + recycle more  
[www.tricountyrecycle.com](http://www.tricountyrecycle.com)

**Tri-County** Hazardous Waste & Recycling Program

419 E. Seventh St., The Dalles OR 97058



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TriCounty Hazardous Waste & Recycling is part of the North Central Public Health District.

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Reduces CO2 Gasses by: 605 pounds  
Reduces waste by: 303 pounds  
Energy Savings: 4,675,000 BTUs

## Where can I recycle?

Combined (mixed) recyclables can be taken to:

- **The Dalles Disposal Service**  
1317 W 1st St, The Dalles  
541-298-5149 • Mon-Sat 9am-5pm
- **Hood River Garbage Service**  
3440 Guignard Drive, Hood River  
541-386-2272 • Mon-Sat 9am-5pm
- **Mel's Sanitary Service Inc.**  
Transfer Station  
57590 Yew Drive, Tygh Valley  
541-483-2500 • Mon-Fri 8am-2pm

### "24-7" Self-Service Recycling Depots Maupin Mt. Hood

- Sherman County Recycling Depots:**
- Grass Valley** (Mon & Tues 1-3 pm)
  - Moro** (2nd Fri & Sat 9 am-4:30 pm)
  - Wasco** (3rd Fri & Sat 9am-4:30pm)
  - Rufus** (4th Fri & Sat 9am-4:30 pm)

Separated (sorted by type) recyclables can be taken to:

- **A&P Recycling**  
280 Webber Street, The Dalles  
541-993-1813  
Mon-Fri 10-6, Sat 8-2.  
Closed Sunday & holidays
- **Dufur Lions Recycling Depot**  
Dufur City Park  
Saturday mornings

Newspapers can be taken to:

- Lions Club trailers at Safeway and Rosauers parking lots Hood River
- Mid-Columbia Special Olympics bins by Hollywood Video, SaveAlot and The Dalles Middle School The Dalles
- St. Peter's Pack 398 bin at St. Mary's Academy, The Dalles

**Bottles and cans with a deposit:**  
Hood River LEO Club Recycling Program  
First Saturday of each month, 9am-1pm  
Rosauers parking lot, Hood River

Home At Last Humane Society  
200 River Road, The Dalles  
(watch for their "Cans for Canines" trailers at area parks and events)

## Community

### Master Recycler Jodi TePoel helps local school make money from "garbage"



Anyone who knows Jodi TePoel knows that she is a passionate dumpster diva. A busy mom of three, she volunteers at the Habitat Re-Store in The Dalles, takes college classes as time allows, volunteers at A&P Recycling, and much more.

Jodi has been an avid collector for the TerraCycle program for several years. TerraCycle is a company which collects items we would typically throw away as trash, such as pens, toothpaste tubes, glue sticks, juice packs, etc. and recycles and/or upcycles them into new products. Once you register for a TerraCycle "Brigade" (collector of certain products), TerraCycle will write a check to the non-profit of your choice for every item you send to them. Typically, items are valued at \$.01 to \$.02 per piece. Last year, Jodi launched a pilot TerraCycle 'fund raiser' at Colonel Wright Elementary. She showed students and staff that they could get paid for their trash.

Recently, Jodi sent a letter to parents and teachers at Colonel Wright with an expanded opportunity to raise more funds through various TerraCycle Brigades. "It is really a very simple process," says TePoel. "I have a list of items we send in to Terracycle.com and they pay us for it, as well as paying for the shipping costs. All it costs us is a small amount of time of which I have volunteered myself to do."

TePoel has placed blue bins in the halls of the school for students to deposit their items. Jodi is even taking care of the sorting herself!

The materials that are being salvaged, was previously going to the landfill. Last year, TePoel says they were able to make a whopping \$226.39 just from their trash! This year's funds are being earmarked to help pay for the SECRETS science program every Colonel Wright 5th grader gets to participate in.

Go to [www.terracycle.com](http://www.terracycle.com) to get more information on their program, and how you might tap in to save materials from the landfill AND help out your favorite non-profit at the same time!

### Students can recycle these items thru TERRACYCLE

- Juice pouches
- Chip bags
- Glue: bottles, caps and/or glue sticks
- Tortillas and Tostadas Bags
- Cereal Bags
- Lunchable kits: clean!
- Personal Care and Beauty: lipstick cases, mascara tubes, eye shadow cases, shampoo bottles, conditioner bottles, bronzer cases, foundation packaging, body wash containers, soap tubes, soap dispensers, lotion dispensers, shaving foam tubes (no cans), powder cases, lotion bottles, chap stick tubes, lotion tubes, face soap dispensers, face soap tubes, face lotion bottles, face lotion jars, eyeliner cases, eyeliner pencils, eye shadow tubes, concealer tubes, concealer sticks, lip liner pencils, hand lotion tubes, hair gel tubes, hair paste jars, toothpaste tubes, toothpaste caps, tooth brushes, floss containers.
- Cleaner Packaging: pumps, triggers, pouches, and flexible cleaner product packaging
- Cheese Packaging including all flexible cheese wrappers
- Candy Wrappers
- Energy Bars: foil lined
- Dairy Tubs and lids: foil tops, plastic tub tops
- Writing Instruments: pens, pen caps, mechanical pencils, markers, marker caps, highlighters



## Hazardous Waste Collection Events

GET RID OF UNWANTED DANGEROUS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

- Oil & latex paints • Yard & garden products • Household cleaners & chemicals • Automotive fluids
- Old gas & kerosene • Pool & spa chemicals • Hobby solvents & glues • Propane bottles & tanks
- All batteries • Ballasts, fluorescent tubes & CFL bulbs • Thermostats & thermometers • Fire extinguishers

A lot of materials in our homes and businesses are hazardous. Don't throw them in the garbage. Bring them to one of our FREE events.

### Hood River Garbage Service 3440 Guignard Dr.

- February 15, 2013 Friday 9am-2pm
- May 17, 2013 Friday 9am-2pm
- August 16, 2013 Friday 9am-2pm
- November 15, 2013 Friday 10am-2pm

### The Dalles Disposal 1317 W First St.

- February 16, 2013 Saturday 9am-2pm
- May 18, 2013 Saturday 9am-2pm
- August 17, 2013 Saturday 9am-2pm
- November 16, 2013 Saturday 10am-2pm

### AG PRODUCERS & small businesses ONLY\* 10am-2pm must pre-register

- May 3, 2013 Friday  
Moro, Road Dept., 4th & Hood Street
- November 6, 2013 Wednesday  
Hood River Garbage Service
- November 7, 2013 Thursday  
The Dalles Disposal Service

### RURAL households & small businesses\*

- Parkdale - Fire Department**  
April 6, 2013 Saturday 10am-2pm
- Maupin - Public Works, 390 3rd St.**  
April 27, 2013 Saturday 10am-2pm
- Moro - Road Dept, 4th & Hood St.**  
May 3, 2013 Friday 1pm-3pm
- Dufur - City Park, South Aikin & 1st St.**  
May 4, 2013 Saturday 10am-2pm
- Tygh Valley - Mel's Sanitary Service Inc.**  
June 22, 2013 Saturday 10am-2pm
- Odell - Mid-Valley Market, 3380 Odell Hwy**  
September 7, 2013 Saturday 10am-2pm
- Cascade Locks - Wastewater Plant**  
105 Herman Creek Ln.  
September 21, 2013 Saturday 10am-2pm
- Mosier - Mosier School, 1204 First Ave.**  
October 26, 2013 Saturday 10am-2pm

\*Businesses and agricultural producers: Mandatory pre-registration is required. Please call our contractor, PSC Environmental Services, 1-800-547-2436. This ensures that proper supplies are ready for your load. Thank you.

### Questions?

Call the Tri-County program at 541-506-2636  
or visit our web site

[www.tricountyrecycle.com](http://www.tricountyrecycle.com)