

WASTE PESTICIDE COLLECTION FOR BUSINESSES AND FARMERS

June 20, 2005 ~ 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.
1400 West 96th Street ~ Bloomington, Minn.

Hennepin County will be holding a Waste Pesticide Collection on June 20, 2005. The hours for collection are 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. The collection site will be located at South Hennepin Recycling and Problem Waste Drop-Off Center located at +1400 West 96th Street in Bloomington.

This collection is similar to the Waste Pesticide Collections that the Minnesota Department of Agriculture has held in the past. The only change is that participants must have a county business address or be a resident of Anoka, Carver, Hennepin, Ramsey or Scott counties.

The collection is open to farmers, commercial applicators, non-commercial applicators, and structural pest control applicators. Pesticide retailers

and distributors are not qualified participants. Each participant is allowed to bring in a maximum of 300 pounds of waste pesticide.

Participants need to pre-register the Waste Pesticides that they will be bringing to the collection. Waste Pesticide Registration forms are available by calling (612) 348-3777, or on our web site at www.hennepin.us (*keyword search: Waste pesticide collection.*) Complete the forms and return them to the address located on the top of the form. The program will also not accept non-pesticide products such as surfacants, crop oils, adjuvants, tank cleaners, dye markers and empty pesticide containers. Waste pesticides are the only products participants will be allowed to drop off.

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our membership is behind us and we feel good about what we are going to accomplish.

As assistants, many times we are left to carry out the orders to our team and never get the opportunity to experiment with different strategies. If you have problem areas, this is a great opportunity to ask for a small area of your own to practice on. If it is a tee or the beginning of a fairway somewhere, you get the chance to try out different ideas or closely manage the practices in place. It never hurts to try something new and by having ownership of an area and learning from your mistakes, it allows you to see first hand what will work. When you do have success, it gives you confidence with future endeavors.

Spring of 2005 definitely proved to be a challenge for all. We all worked a couple extra hours each day, but that is what it took to get the job done. Looking back, April was a great month for growing grass and it allowed us to successfully do our job. It is only the beginning of our long season and doesn't it feel good to have conquered what Mother Nature dealt us?

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