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### Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection Scheduled

The Northwest Missouri Regional Council of Governments will once again sponsor a Household Hazardous Waste collection, this year in partnership with the Nodaway and Worth County Commissions, and funded by a grant from the Northwest Missouri Solid Waste Management District. All residents of Atchison, Holt, Gentry, Nodaway and Worth Counties may participate. **No electronics, latex paint or alkaline batteries will be accepted this year.** Dry latex paint and alkaline batteries are no longer considered household hazardous waste. Electronics may be recycled by private enterprises in the region.

**The event will take place from 8:00 AM - Noon ID required. A fee of \$5.00 per car will be collected.**

**Saturday, April 25, 2015  
Nodaway County Maintenance Barn  
1516 E. Halsey Street, Maryville, MO 64468**

Hazardous products are used for cleaning, painting, lubricating and disinfecting the house, yard, workshop and garage. The average American home accumulates more than 100 pounds of hazardous products by simply storing it in their basements, closets or garage. The health of our community and the environment is endangered when these types of products are discarded in storm drains, household garbage, or sinks. At the collections in 2014, the citizens of our Region properly disposed 12.69 tons of household hazardous waste.

Examples of HHW include: household chemicals (bleach, ammonia, and cleaners) fertilizers, pesticides, brake fluid, transmission fluid, household waxes, ni-cad, lithium, and lead acid batteries, compact fluorescent light bulbs, florescent tubes, mercury, antifreeze, oil base paint, and varnish. **Do not mix household hazardous wastes together; keep in original containers.** This is very important; the chemists at the event will need information from the containers.

The following items will not be **accepted**: motor oil, syringes, prescription medicines, compressed gas cylinders, smoke detectors, commercial waste, radioactive waste, explosive waste, **latex paint, alkaline batteries** and unknown wastes.

Linda Laderoute, Community & Environmental Planner for the Northwest Missouri Regional Council of Governments, emphasizes that "Special collections are vital for our region because there is no permanent drop off facility in Northwest Missouri. The closest permanent facility that handles disposal of household hazardous waste is in Lee's Summit." Please protect the environment and bring your household hazardous waste to the collection on April 25, 2015.

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