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SARA HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION EVENTS SCHEDULED FOR MARCH 11

Karnes County Residents Invited to Participate in Free Collection Event

KENEDY, TX – The San Antonio River Authority (SARA) and Karnes County are gearing up for the Spring Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event. All residents in the Karnes County community are encouraged to stop by the Youth Shown Barn (1480 CR 345, Kenedy, TX) on Saturday, March 11 from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. to dispose of unwanted hazardous waste, tires, electronics, and more.

“I have seen a lot of tire debris and household hazardous waste end up in the river when it didn’t need to,” said Commissioner Dupnik. “SARA is providing a safe and free environment for residents in Karnes County to properly dispose of hazardous waste. It’s an event that supports the community and I hope all residents take advantage of it.”

Residents may bring any of the following items:

- Hazardous Waste: Paint, motor oil and filters, cleaning products, pool chemicals, and more
- Tires: light truck tires not on the rim
- Electronics: small electronic appliances, TV’s, computers and their components, and more
- Pharmaceuticals: Unwanted, expired prescription medication, vet medication, and more (made possible with the help of the Karnes County Sheriff’s Office)

“Over the years, we have seen an increased awareness and participation in the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Events,” said SARA General Manager Suzanne Scott. “We are thankful to Marathon Oil for sponsoring this event and our Karnes County community partners including the Road and Bridge Crew and Sheriff’s Office. This type of community effort is what makes this event a success.”

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Household hazardous waste, tires, electronics, and pharmaceuticals are the only items being collected. Other items such as large appliances, tires on the rim, construction debris, and scrap metal will not be accepted. For a full list of items that will and will not be accepted, contact Yliana Flores, SARA Intergovernmental Relations Coordinator, at 1-866-345-7272, ext. 3228, or visit the events page at www.sara-tx.org.

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The San Antonio River Authority (SARA) was created by the 45th Texas Legislature on May 5, 1937 and reorganized in 1961 to plan, manage and implement water-related programs and projects within the San Antonio River Watershed. The State of Texas empowered SARA to preserve, protect and manage the resources and the ecology of the San Antonio River and its tributaries. To learn more about the SARA, visit our website at www.sara-tx.org.