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## **Adams County Household Chemical Roundup on May 6, 2017**

Time for Spring Cleaning! Adams County Household Chemical Roundup makes it easy. Come to Hyland Hills Water World, 8801 North Pecos Street in Federal Heights on Saturday, May 6, 2017. The event will operate from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Many common products found in the home may be hazardous and should be used and disposed of carefully. These include motor oil, antifreeze, vehicle batteries, household rechargeable batteries, solvents, house and garden chemicals, compact fluorescent lights (CFLs), fire extinguishers, items containing mercury, propane tanks, oil-based paint, and passenger vehicle and pickup truck tires. Proper disposal at the Roundup helps prevent the potential of accidental poisonings and fire hazards in the home.

Residents just drive up and volunteers will unload the materials. Adams County participants should bring proof of residency, such as a driver's license or utility bill and \$25 per vehicle to offset the high cost of hazardous waste disposal.

The HCR events are open to residents of Brighton, Commerce City, Federal Heights, Thornton, and Unincorporated Adams County. Residents are encouraged to register in advance online at <http://www.tchd.org/250/Home-Chemical-Waste>.

**Note:** The Cities of Aurora, Northglenn, and Westminster are not participating in these events. Consequently, residents of these cities cannot bring waste to the roundup event. This does not affect residents of Unincorporated Adams County that have Aurora, Northglenn, or Westminster addresses, since anyone in Unincorporated Adams County is eligible to attend. For more information, residents of Northglenn should call 303-450-4004; residents of Aurora should call 303-739-7372; and residents of Westminster should call 303-706-3362.

A FREE Drop-and-Swap area is available where citizens can drop off and/or pick-up household cleaners, paint, car wax, antifreeze, fertilizer, and garden products that are still in their original containers. Reuse of these items promotes environmental stewardship by reducing the amount of waste disposed and additionally decreases the total disposal cost of the Roundup.

Residents with architectural paint and paint products can now conveniently drop off un-wanted paint for recycling year-round at many locations in the Denver Metro Area. The Paint Stewardship Program is operated by PaintCare and is a free option for paint recycling throughout the year at participating retailers. Visit [www.paintcare.org](http://www.paintcare.org) for paint drop-off locations.

The Adams County Household Chemical Roundups **cannot** accept waste from businesses, and are **not able** to accept radioactive waste, smoke detectors, electronic waste of any kind, scrap metal, oil drums, asbestos, or explosives.

Volunteers are greatly needed at the event to help with registration, vehicle off-load, and waste processing. Volunteers are allowed to dispose of their waste for free. Individuals and community groups interested in helping with this event should call 720-200-1580 or register online at [www.tchd.org/250/Home-Chemical-Waste](http://www.tchd.org/250/Home-Chemical-Waste)

This event is sponsored by Adams County; the cities of Brighton, Commerce City, Federal Heights, and Thornton; Darling International Inc.; and Interstate Batteries.

In 2016, the Adams County Household Chemical Roundup Program properly disposed of over 116,117 pounds of hazardous materials serving an estimated 668 households.

For more information, visit <http://www.tchd.org/250/Home-Chemical-Waste> or call the 24-hour Household Chemical Roundup InfoLine at 303-846-6249. Recorded information is available in both English and Spanish.

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