

Five Rivers RC&D – Nebraska Household Hazardous Waste Collections

The Project:

With the help of over 85 volunteers, household hazardous waste (HHW) collection events in each of the Five Rivers RC&D counties in April were successful in collecting household paint, pesticides, acids, oil, batteries, solvents and a few other miscellaneous chemicals.

Outcomes:

The eight collection events were attended by 736 households disposing a total of 45,500 pounds of hazardous materials, 710 fluorescent light bulbs, and misc. batteries.



Above: Shirley Gronewold, Council Member, extracts contents from aerosol cans.

Funding:

Nebraska Dept of Environmental Quality: \$25,000
USDA-NRCS Professional Services: \$7,620
Earth Team Volunteers: \$1,700
Local Government: \$4,000
Participants: \$917



Left: Jim Sefried, Council Member, surveyed participants for needs of future collections.

Right: Falls City High FFA students earn community service hours.



Our Mission: To educate citizens, develop leadership, and revitalize the area through cooperative partnerships and leveraged resources.



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