MONTEREY COUNTY

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2022 PESTICIDE CONTAINER COLLECTION & RECYCLING PROCEDURES

The procedures for collection and recycling of rinsed agricultural chemical plastic containers in Monterey County are:

- 1. The Monterey County Agricultural Commissioner's Office provides this service free of charge to agricultural producers in the county.
- 2. **Monterey Regional Waste Management District** (Marina Landfill) (Del Monte Blvd. North of Marina and South of the Dole Cooler).

AVAILABLE ON THE FOLLOWING DATES:

MARCH 17 JUNE 9 & 23 SEPTEMBER 8 & 22
APRIL 21 JULY 14 & 28 OCTOBER 20
MAY 19 AUGUST 11 & 25 NOVEMBER 17

- 3. The hours for collection/recycling are 9:00 a.m. to noon by appointment. Please call (831) 759-7340 for an appointment.
- 4. A qualified representative from your company must complete and sign the Pesticide Container Rinse Certification form, available at the Agricultural Commissioner's Office and on collection day.
- 5. Container Requirements: Only non-refillable high-density polyethylene (HDPE), recycling symbol #2 plastic containers are accepted. Containers are accepted from 1 pint, up to 35 gallons; 35 gallon barrels are accepted with the plastic bungs removed.
- 6. All plastic containers **MUST BE AS DRY AS POSSIBLE.** Liquid must not be dripping from the container. Pesticides adhering to the outside of the container will be cause for rejection.
- 7. Plastic caps, metal bucket handles and metal rings on plastic containers cannot be recycled. Remove them and dispose of as normal solid waste before arriving at the recycling site.
- 8. Remove all label booklets, plastic sleeves and paper from containers. Also, remove the majority of the foil seal from the spout. Labels permanently adhered to the container are acceptable.
- 9. No metal containers, cardboard, PVC, plastic tubing, containers that held motor oil or antifreeze or garbage will be accepted. Crop protection containers only.
- 10. All drums 30 gallons and larger, must be quartered.
- 11. If you require information and/or training in proper rinsing techniques, please call the Pesticide Use Enforcement Unit of the Agricultural Commissioner's Office at (831) 759-7340.

