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FIVE RIVERS RC&D & NEMAHA NRD ARE AWARDED 3 YEAR GRANT FROM NDEQ FOR HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTIONS

Five Rivers RC&D, in a partnership with the Nemaha NRD, was awarded a grant in the amount of \$122, 034 from the Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality's Waste Reduction and Recycling Incentive Grants Program. Altogether, the state received 35 eligible applications with requests totaling approximately \$2.4 million for integrated solid waste management facilities and projects. Approximately \$1.4 million was awarded for 30 projects throughout Nebraska.

The grant program provides funds annually for integrated waste management activities in Nebraska. The funds awarded to Five Rivers RC&D & the Nemaha NRD will be used to organize and host 9 household hazardous waste collections throughout 7 counties in southeast Nebraska every fall over the course of three years. Counties included are Jefferson, Johnson, Nemaha, Otoe, Pawnee, Saline, and Richardson. Stay tuned for more information regarding dates and times as well as locations for collections. The efforts of the RC&D, NRD, county and city officials, as well as the participating residents help keep nearly 30,000 of potentially hazardous materials out of our landfills, ditches, and thus improve water and air quality throughout southeast Nebraska.

Five Rivers RC&D along with the Nemaha NRD are to be commended for their continued efforts to improve Nebraska's environment through responsible solid waste management activities.

For more information about 2013, 2014, and 2015 Household Hazardous Waste Collections, please contact Bobbie Meints at the Five Rivers RC&D office at 402-869-2355 or 5rivers.meints@gmail.com.

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