

Free Clean Up Day Available to Simi Valley Residents

May 6, 2011, Simi Valley, Calif. - Simi Valley residents are invited to drop off their extra trash and bulky items free of charge and donate "gently used" items at the Simi Valley Landfill and Recycling Center on Sunday, May 15 during the second round of free residential days this spring.

"Residential Clean Up Days" are offered as part of Waste Management's effort to curb illegal dumping in Ventura County. In addition to regular household trash, items that can be disposed of for free include Freon-free refrigerators, hot water heaters, stoves, dishwashers, washer/dryers, sofas, chairs, mattresses, box springs and recyclable items.

"We are proud to provide residents a safe and convenient location to drop off unwanted items for disposal or recycling. As part of our efforts, residents will also be able to make a donation to Goodwill", said Lisa Hemenway, Community Relations for Waste Management.

The Simi Valley free cleanup day will begin at 10 a.m. and ends at 4 p.m. Residents can bring non-hazardous, residential trash and greenwaste items. Certain items, including household hazardous waste will not be accepted. Please visit <http://www.keepingventuracountyclean.com/> for a full list of non-acceptable items and information where these items can be properly disposed.

Goodwill Industries will be accepting gently used items and electronic waste, including televisions, computers, and monitors. For a complete list of Goodwill's wish list, visit <http://goodwillvsb.org/donatotgoodwill/donationguidelines.html>

To help minimize delays, Waste Management requests that visits to the landfill follow these guidelines:

- Be ready with valid identification to show proof of residency to cashier.
- All loads must be tarped pursuant to California State Law.
- All loads are subject to inspection.
- All commercial vehicles are subject to applicable rates unless prior arrangements have been made.

To encourage recycling efforts and reduce the amount of waste entering the landfill, designated areas and containers will be available for easy recycling. There will be separate unloading areas for concrete, asphalt, greenwaste, and construction and demolition waste. Containers will be available to drop-off and recycle metal items, paper and cardboard.

The Simi Valley Landfill and Recycling Center is located at 2801 Madera Road in Simi Valley. If you have any additional questions, please call at (805) 579-7267 or visit our web site at www.KeepingVenturaCountyClean.com.