Agricultural Plastic Recycling

Why does it Matter?

Society, as a whole, needs to adapt and change commonly accepted practices as we discover new information that reveals health and safety hazards.

Recent Studies have shown us the harmful effects of toxins in our air, land & water caused by unhealthy practices such as burning waste materials in inappropriate ways.

Healthy soil is not only important for producing healthy crops but for contributing to the Earth's carbon cycle and ultimately to climate change.

> Source: Agricultural Waste Disposal Best Practices Guide

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Other sources for Information:

- Recycling Council of Alberta: <u>www.recycle.ab.ca</u>
- Clean Farms: <u>www.cleanfarms.ca</u>
- Alberta Plastic Recycling Association: <u>www.recycleyourplastic.ca</u>
- Alberta Environment: www.environment.alberta.ca

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Recycling For a Better Future

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WHAT can be Recycled?

Bale Wrap & Silage Wrap

(Polyethylene) Made into farm drainage tile.



Bale Twine (Polypropylene) Made into new agricultural recycled twine.



Agricultural Pesticide Containers

Made into plastic products such as plastic lumber, parking curbs, guard rails, etc.



HOW do I prepare the material?

Bale Wrap and Silage Wrap

ONLY ACCEPTED AT ROCKY TRANSFER STATION

Shake the Wrap to remove excess feed, dirt and other foreign matter.

Keep plastic clean and dry by storing immediately after removing from bales.

Wraps containing more the 5 % non-plastic material by weight will not be accepted at the collection stations.

Material should be folded or rolled and bundle-tied, so it will not come apart.

Store away from sunlight.

Bale Twine

TO AVOID REFUSAL, please clean off hay, mud and debris. Twine containing no more than a 5 % contamination rate cannot be recycled.

Keep Twine clean and dry by storing immediately after removing from bales in clear, plastic bags. Tie filled bags closed so that contents will not spill out and remain dry. <u>NOTE: NO SISAL TWINE</u>

We provide clear plastic bags for your twine. Please ask your nearest collection site for bags. No loose Twine will be accepted for recycling

Agricultural Pesticide Containers.

MUST be triple rinsed

ONLY empty, caps off and booklets must be removed. Please recycle booklets.

RECYCLE at your nearest collection site.

WHERE can I Recycle it?

Bale Twine

Everdell Transfer Station (West of Highway 22 South on 752- SE 3-38-7 W5M) Blue sign number 72038

Cow Lake Transfer Station (Highway 752 by Cow Lake Store- SW 26-38-8 W5M) Blue sign number 384020

Leslieville Transfer Station (Highway 11& Highway 761- SE 2-39-5 W5M) Blue sign number 390022

Crossroads Transfer Station (Highway 12 & Highway 761- SE 26-40-5 W5M) Blue sign number 51040 HWY 12

Crammond Transfer Station (Hwy 22 SW 16-35-5 W5M) Blue sign number 352039

Rocky Transfer Station:

(5313- 44 Street) Rocky Mountain House Please call 403-845-4121 to schedule your drop off with our recycling staff.

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Caroline Transfer Station (South off Highway 54- SW 18-36-6 W5M) Blue sign number 362020