

Additional Information and Resources in Fremont

For more information about used oil and other environmental questions, contact Lori Marra of the Environmental Services Department, at Lmarra@fremont.gov or 510-494-4570.

There is a lot of information about recycling and other environmental issues at the City's website, www.fremont.gov/environment. Select "Garbage and Recycling" and then "Recycling Service" to find a section on used oil and filter recycling. Note that curbside service is not available to residents of multifamily housing. Residents who do not have curbside service may take used oil to any of Fremont's collection centers (listed on the last page of the student lesson book.)

The last page of the student lesson book also has a list of locations where free containers for oil and filters are available. These are to be used for curbside collection, and may also be used to bring oil and filters to a collection center.

Household hazardous waste such as household cleaners, pesticides, fluorescent tubes, paint, and batteries can be taken to the Fremont Facility at 41149 Boyce Road or other Alameda County drop-off locations in Hayward, Livermore and Oakland. These sites are open on a limited schedule. The schedules and maps to the locations are on the website www.household-hazwaste.org. These drop-off locations should be used to dispose of motor oil that has been contaminated with other materials such as gasoline, antifreeze or solvents, and absorbents such as rags or cat litter that have been used to clean up oil spills.

The Alameda County website www.stopwaste.org has a wealth of additional information about waste reduction and recycling. From the home page, you can use drop-down menus to access information about recycling a wide variety of materials. More general information can be found by clicking on the yellow box for "Residents." The blue box for "Schools" describes free recycling resources and assistance available to schools.

The site also has a section on alternatives to hazardous household products that you and your students may find interesting.

For broader local environmental information, check out the National Resources Defense Council's site called "Green Gate" www.nrdc.org/greengate, an "Environmental Guide to the San Francisco Bay Area." It is very easy to navigate, has a wide range of information, and has links to other organizations in the "Green Guides and Resources" section.