



Additional Information and Resources in Santa Cruz County

Santa Cruz County's recycling website is www.SantaCruzCountyRecycles.org. You will find links there to information on various topics including household hazardous waste. City of Santa Cruz Public Works is at www.cityofsantacruz.com. Select "Services" from the menu bar at the top of the page, then click on the "Garbage and Recycling" tab, which has lots of good information on how to recycle a wide variety of materials.

The last page of the student lesson book has a list of locations in the county where used oil and filters can be taken for recycling.

Curbside collection for used motor oil and filters is available throughout the county, and numbers to call are also listed on the last page of the student book. All have an option to speak to someone in Spanish. Curbside operators offer a special 2-1/2-gallon oil jug to customers on request. Filters should be put in a clear ziplock bag. Put the oil and filters next to (not in) the recycling carts on the regular service day. (Note that this is not available to residents of multifamily housing with dumpster service.)

Your students who work in agriculture may be interested to know that Santa Cruz County has a designated agricultural used oil recycling location. They accept from growers much larger quantities of oil than the other oil recycling centers (which usually have a 5-gallon limit). The location is Bayside Oil II, Inc, 210 Encinal Avenue, Santa Cruz (831) 427-3773.

There are four Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) facilities in Santa Cruz County where residents may dispose of toxic products from the home including oil and filters for free:

Buena Vista Landfill

(1 Mile South of Highway 1)
1231 Buena Vista Drive
Watsonville (takes oil and filter only)
(831) 454-2430
HHW open 7:30 am to 3:30 pm
Monday-Saturday

Ben Lomond Transfer Station

(1 Mile North of Glen Arbor Road)
9835 Newell Creek Road
Ben Lomond
(831) 336-3951
7:30 am to 3:30 pm
Monday-Saturday

Resource Recovery Facility and Recycling Center

(Three miles north of Santa Cruz City limits off of Hwy One)
605 Dimeo Lane
Santa Cruz
(831) 420-6273
HHW open 7:30 am to 3:30 pm
Monday-Saturday

Watsonville Garbage & Recycling Drop-Off

320 Harvest Drive, Gate 4
Watsonville
(831) 768-3133
HHW open 9:00 am -3:30 pm
Monday-Saturday