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### HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE OPENING FOR THE SEASON

The Crow Wing County Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Facility will open for the season beginning April 30, 2014 at the Crow Wing County Landfill Site. The HHW Facility will be open the second Wednesday and second Saturday of each month from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. May through October.

Now is the time to get rid of all those old paint cans, cleaners, and other chemicals that have been sitting in the garage or on basement shelves for years. If disposed of inappropriately, the chemicals may contaminate land, ground water, surface water, or air quality. Removal of this material from garbage will also minimize the health risk to waste haulers and landfill operators. "We are asking folks to do their part protecting our unique environment and the HHW program is free," stated Crow Wing County Solid Waste Coordinator Doug Morris.

The HHW Facility accepts for free disposal hazardous household waste items such as:

- latex & oil paints, stains and aerosols
- automotive products
- household cleaners
- yard and garden pesticides
- batteries
- mercury containing devices (such as thermometers and switches)

Upon arriving at the County Landfill Site, residents must stop at the Landfill Office. The attendant will discuss the items to be disposed and provide directions to where the HHW Facility is located at the site. It is important to note that all loads coming to the County Landfill must be covered to ensure our roadways are not littered with debris.

For more information pertaining to the Household Hazardous Waste Program, please visit the County Web page at [www.crowwing.us](http://www.crowwing.us) and search for "Household Hazardous Waste".

The Land Services Department is committed to providing excellent customer service while helping our residents make wise choices that protect Crow Wing County's extraordinary natural resources. Citizens are encouraged to contact the Environmental Services Solid Waste Office at (218) 824-1290 or for more information, please visit the Crow Wing County's Web site at [www.crowwing.us](http://www.crowwing.us) and search for "Solid Waste".

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**Our Values:** Be responsible. Treat people right. Build a better future.

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