



COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OF UNWANTED/UNUSABLE AGRICULTURAL PESTICIDES AND SCHOOL CHEMICALS

CLEANSWEEPNY IS AN ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFIT PROJECT that provides for the environmentally safe and economic collection and disposal of unwanted or unusable pesticides, school chemicals, golf course chemicals, and elemental mercury and mercury-containing devices (e.g. manometers and thermometers). CleanSweepNY also collects and recycles triple-rinsed HDPE #2 plastic containers from agricultural and certain non-agricultural entities. The NYS Department of Environmental Conservation administers the CleanSweepNY project through its Albany, NY Central Office Pesticides Program. Funding for this environmental benefit project is administered by the Natural Heritage Trust.

To date, CleanSweepNY has collected and disposed of over 1.25 million pounds of pesticides and other chemical wastes, more than 817 pounds of elemental mercury, and over 4,000 plastic containers that could have been disposed of in landfills across New York State. CleanSweepNY results in enhanced stewardship of the environment through improved management of those materials which can pose human health risks upon exposure and a significant hazard to the environment such as water resources.

A FALL 2014 CLEANSWEEPNY collection targeting Nassau and Suffolk Counties will build on the success to date. The collection will occur during the week of September 29, 2014. Upon registration, and when arrangements have been finalized, appointment cards with locations and drop-times will be mailed to participants. Holders of pesticides and chemical materials who are located in other counties may also participate if they register and transport their materials to the collection sites.

ACCEPTED FREE OF CHARGE OR AT LOW FEE CleanSweepNY funding was originally earmarked for the benefit of New York agriculture. Farmers and the owners of former farms can register and bring their unwanted or unusable pesticides to CleanSweepNY events at no charge and with no quantity limit. A pricing sheet for other waste chemicals, such as old paint, motor oil, etc... will be mailed to those requesting the registration packet.

CleanSweepNY services are not available to homeowners. Information about household hazardous waste collections can be accessed at <http://www.dec.state.ny.gov/chemical/8780.html>.

PRE-REGISTRATION & INFORMATION Pre-registration is mandatory. The Fall 2014 CleanSweepNY registration deadlines are September 5th for holders of unknown products and compressed gas cylinders, and September 19th for all other participants.

Requesting a registration packet is easy and can be done by calling 1-877-793-3769 or by e-mail to info@cleansweepny.org NOTE: Information received by CleanSweepNY is kept strictly confidential.

There is **NO** enforcement potential for any product turned in as part of this collection project. **NO** enforcement has been taken on any of the 2,192 registered participants over the 16 CleanSweepNY events held throughout New York State.

Please participate in the Fall 2014 CleanSweepNY collection and help to properly manage unwanted or unusable pesticides and chemical wastes on Long Island!

CleanSweepNY gratefully acknowledges the support and assistance of NYSDOT, Cornell Cooperative Extension, NY Farm Bureau, and Agricultural Container Recycling Council