

INTRODUCTION

Pesticides have helped our farmers produce food worldwide. Over the years, some of these pesticides have been banned or suspended due to the risks to human health and the environment. Many of these and other unwanted pesticides are stored on-site, often in deteriorating containers. Many of these storage practices present the potential for contamination of the environment.

If you have any unwanted, unused, or banned/outdated pesticide waste that you wish to dispose of, "Colorado ChemSweep" is an environmentally sound and economical disposal option for this material.

Colorado ChemSweep is a program organized and performed by MSE Environmental, Inc. (MSE), a firm specializing in hazardous material management. This program meets all State and Federal hazardous waste regulations.

PREVIOUS PROGRAMS

- 1995 Pilot Program
 - 17,000 lbs. of pesticide waste
 - 67 participants
 - 4 counties participated
- 1997 Programs (2)
 - 33,910 lbs. of pesticide waste
 - 114 participants
 - 10 counties participated/Statewide
- 1999 Programs (2)
 - 17,755 lbs. of pesticide waste
 - 44 participants
 - Statewide program
- 2000 Program (1)
 - 15,833 lbs. of pesticide waste
 - 40 participants
 - Statewide program
- 2001 Program (1)
 - 13,486 lbs. of pesticide waste
 - 34 participants
 - Statewide program

Examples of waste pesticides that have been collected include: DDT, chlordane, carbaryl, alachlor, lead arsenate, lindane, dinoseb, calcium cyanide, chloropicrin, 2,4-D, etc.

FUTURE PROGRAM

Due to the continued success of the Colorado ChemSweep program performed throughout the State, future programs will be conducted each year in March and October. If you have any waste pesticides that you want to dispose of through this program, please fill out and send in the enclosed registration form.

If you have any questions regarding the program, please call MSE's Colorado ChemSweep Hotline at 1-888-AGCHEM2 (1-888-242-4362).

SERVICE AREA

The upcoming programs will service any agribusiness or green industry business including: farmers, ranchers, private individuals, commercial applicators, golf courses, greenhouses or nurseries who apply or store pesticides in the State of Colorado.

PROGRAM CONTRACTOR

This program is organized and performed by MSE. MSE is one of the most qualified contractors in the industry. MSE has been performing AgChem programs throughout the nation since 1991. Highlights include:

- Over 300 programs in 18 states
- Over 4,500 on-site pickups
- Over 4 million pounds of waste pesticides

This program will be conducted under the "Universal Waste Rule" which will allow MSE to come to your location, properly package the waste pesticides, and become the generator of the waste. The waste will be transported to Teris LLC, located in El Dorado, Arkansas, where all eligible material will be incinerated. Under this program, MSE will be manifested as the generator of the waste, thus reducing future liabilities for program participants.

PROGRAM BENEFITS

This is an excellent opportunity to properly and economically dispose of unwanted pesticides. Banned pesticides, by definition, cannot be used and must be disposed of, often as hazardous waste. Some compelling reasons to participate in this program are:

- A fraction of the cost on your own
- All permits and approvals secured by MSE
- MSE takes generator status of the material
- MSE handles regulatory agencies
- All eligible materials are incinerated
- Minimizes ongoing liabilities from continued storage of these waste pesticides

ELIGIBLE PESTICIDES

Any unwanted, unusable, or banned materials that are classified as a pesticide. MSE will pick-up pesticides that have a brand name, trade name, or active ingredient on the label. Containers with unknown contents may require obtaining a sample for analysis. Participants who register materials that are unknown may be contacted by MSE in order to obtain a sample prior to pickup. This generally will only apply to containers greater than 5 gallons or 50 pounds.

COSTS TO PARTICIPANT

Participants will pay an all-inclusive cost of approximately \$2.65 per pound with a \$75 minimum per stop. Materials will be weighed at your location on certified digital scales and you will be charged based upon the weight of the waste prior to packaging.

TARGET DATES

On-site pickups throughout the state are tentatively scheduled for one week in March and one week in October each year.

DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION

There will be no deadline. Get your inventory in so MSE can add you to their database and start planning the program.

HOW DO YOU PARTICIPATE

Fill out the enclosed registration form and submit as soon as possible. If you did not receive registration information or would like further information about the program, please call the MSE Colorado ChemSweep Hotline at 1-888-AGCHEM2 (1-888-242-4362).

The following Agencies promote proper pesticide waste disposal:

- Colorado Department of Agriculture
- Colorado State University
- Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment
- Colorado Farm Bureau
- Colorado Association of Conservation Districts
- Rocky Mountain Plant Food and Agricultural Chemical Association
- Rocky Mountain Farmers Union
- Colorado Potato Administration Committee, Areas II & III
- Colorado Aerial Applicators Association
- Colorado Greenhouse Growers Association
- Colorado Corn Administration Committee
- Colorado Sugarbeet Growers Association
- Colorado Weed Management Association
- Colorado State Grange
- Green Industries of Colorado



Colorado Pesticide Waste Collection Program

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