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Collection Date Set for Unwanted Pesticides

YORK - The South Carolina Department of Agriculture (SCDA) is partnering with York County Solid Waste Collection and Recycling Division to accept unwanted or unused pesticides from farmers and homeowners on Saturday, October 3 from 8 a.m. – 12 p.m.

York County is holding its biannual Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection Event at the York County Public Works Facility. Although the recycling event is only open to residents of York County, waste pesticides will be accepted from residents of any SC county. Pesticides will not be accepted from any type of commercial business or commercial applicator. Other collections events are planned for later this year that will be open to commercial applicators in the state.

- SCDA staff will be on site to monitor pesticide collection and disposal, and will have final authority on acceptance of products.
- Pesticide products include herbicides, insecticides, nematicides, fungicides and similar products used in agricultural production or around the home.
- Quantities accepted will be limited to 2500 pounds of solid and 300 gallons of liquid at no charge.
- Rinsate will not be accepted.
- Fertilizer will not be accepted unless it is combined or co-packed with a pesticide such as weed and feed.
- No compressed gas cylinders (metal cylinder with a valve) or empty pesticide containers will be collected.

York County Public Works is located at 220 Public Works Road, York, SC. For more information regarding pesticide collection, contact SCDA's John Stokes at 803-737-9696. For more information on York HHW Collection event, contact York County Solid Waste Collection and Recycling Division at 803-628-3181.