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ISDA ANNOUNCES FREE PESTICIDE DISPOSAL PICKUP SCHEDULE FOR EASTERN, SOUTH CENTRAL IDAHO

(BOISE) Agricultural producers, dealers, applicators and homeowners who are storing unusable pesticides will have a safe, legal and free opportunity to dispose of them this September when the Idaho State Department of Agriculture conducts collections in Rexburg, Preston, American Falls, Burley, Twin Falls and Jerome.



Since 1993, the Idaho State Department of Agriculture has disposed of more than 600,000 pounds of unusable pesticides. Pesticides become unusable for many reasons, including loss of potency, exposure to temperature extremes, cancellation or suspension by state or federal authorities, or growers' decisions to change their cropping rotations or practices.

"These collections provide a mechanism for disposing of pesticides in an environmentally sound manner. The unusable pesticides collected in September will be incinerated or otherwise destroyed," said Victor Mason II, manager of the department's pesticide disposal and container recycling programs. Participation is free for the first 1,000 pounds of unusable pesticides per participant.

<u>Date</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Location</u>
Sept. 12, 2005	Rexburg	Madison County Solid Waste Transfer Site
Sept. 13, 2005	Preston	Franklin County Weed Control
Sept. 14, 2005	American Falls	Power County Landfill
Sept. 15, 2005	Burley	Bureau of Land Management Yard
Sept. 16, 2005	Twin Falls	Twin Falls Canal Company
Sept. 17, 2005	Jerome	Jerome County Fair Grounds

Anyone with unusable herbicides, insecticides, fungicides and rodenticides should bring them to the closest collection site between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. on the date and at the location listed above (no fertilizer, micronutrients, paint, solvents, or equipment motor oil can be accepted).

Assistance and other information about the collections is available at:
<http://www.agri.state.id.us/Categories/Pesticides/pdp/indexdisposalmain.php>

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