



UNWANTED PESTICIDE/CHEMICAL DISPOSAL PROGRAM SCHEDULED

CleanSweepNY is a NYSDEC 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), as well as other waste chemicals. CleanSweepNY also collects and recycles triple-rinsed HDPE plastic containers from agricultural and certain non-agricultural entities. The NYS Department of Environmental Conservation administers the CleanSweepNY project through its Central Office Pesticides Program in Albany, NY. Funding for this environmental benefit project is administered by the Natural Heritage Trust.

To date, CleanSweepNY has collected and disposed of over 1,516,587 pounds of chemical wastes from over 2,600 participators across 20 collection programs. This includes more than 861 pounds of elemental mercury from schools and other holders, and nearly 5,000 triple-rinsed HDPE plastic containers have been recycled that could have been disposed of in landfills across New York State. CleanSweepNY results in enhanced stewardship of the environment through improved management/disposal of those materials which can pose human health risks upon exposure and a significant hazard to the environment such as to soil, groundwater, and surface water resources.

A Fall 2016 CleanSweepNY collection will target Herkimer, Jefferson Lewis, Oneida and St. Lawrence Counties. Holders of pesticides and chemical materials who are located in other counties are also invited to participate but onsite pickup services cannot be provided. Due to the high demand and special challenges, schools must reside within the targeted counties.

The collection dates and locations are as follows:

- Tuesday October 4th Potsdam, NY
- Wednesday October 5th Watertown, NY
- Thursday October 6th Herkimer, NY

Specific collection location addresses will be available upon registration or by contacting CleanSweepNY staff by phone at 877-793-3769 or by e-mail at info@cleansweepny.org

Accepted Free of Charge CleanSweepNY funding is intended for the collection and disposal of pesticide chemicals from farms, farms no longer in production, NYS certified pesticide applicators, greenhouses and nurseries, small businesses, schools, commercial lawn and garden entities, golf courses, marinas, cemeteries and others. Participants can bring unwanted pesticides to CleanSweepNY collection events at no charge and with no quantity limit. Some exceptions must be made for municipalities and government agencies so please call to discuss.

CleanSweepNY Services are NOT Available to Homeowners

PRE-REGISTRATION & INFORMATION Pre-registration is required to participate in CleanSweepNY.

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 confidential and the registration deadline is **Friday, September 23, 2016.**

Please participate and help us to properly manage unwanted pesticides and chemicals in NY State!