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Residents can recycle more items

September 4, 2008 – Carroll County residents can cut down on the trash they throw away starting September 15th, when both the drop-off and curbside recycling programs expand. Wide-mouth plastic containers and empty gable-top and “aseptic” containers can be tossed in with other single-stream recyclables. Wide-mouth containers are those from prescription drugs, yogurt, butter, peanut butter, sour cream and similar items. Gable-top containers are typically milk and juice cartons with triangular lids. Aseptic containers are those from non-refrigerated liquids, such as broths, extended shelf-life milk and fruit juices. Empty containers may be placed in single-stream recycling containers at the curb or at the Northern and Hoods Mill landfills.

The second major change is the addition of drop-off centers for rigid plastics, grocery and empty clear food bags, and CD/DVD cases and disks. A separate drop-off container for these items will be available at the Northern and Hoods Mill landfills. A list of new items for program is included below.

For information about recycling, call Recycling Manager Maria T. Myers at 410-386-2035.

Acceptable rigid plastics

Plastic toys (including playhouses and pools)
Plastic buckets with metal handles
Plastic milk/soda crates
Plastic laundry baskets and clothes hangers
Plastic lawn furniture
Plastic flower pots/trays (no soil)
Plastic landscape and microwave trays

Plastic totes and clothing boxes
Plastic drums (any size)
Plastic pet carriers
Plastic pallets
Plastic coolers
Plastic shelving and closet organizers
Plastic dish drainers
Plastic traffic signs
PVC and pet blister packs

Plastic garbage or recycling cans and bins
5-gallon plastic water bottles
Computer housings (no circuit boards)
Plastic pesticide containers (empty)
Plastic automotive parts (*bumpers, bed liners, grills, side-view mirrors, hub caps, head or rear light housings, etc.*)

Sorry, but we cannot accept these items:

Plastic salad bar-type containers (*clam shell or separate*)
PVC piping or tubing
Flexible water hoses

Vinyl siding
Styrofoam
Plastic-coated paper
Medical or hazardous waste
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Oil, antifreeze or chemical containers and bottles

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