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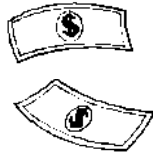
DISPOSAL SERVICES

## A QUARTERLY UPDATE FOR OUR CUSTOMERS

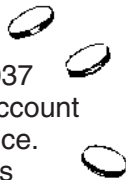
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### Win One Month Free Trash Service

Several lucky residential customers will receive one month of free trash service for finding their names in this newsletter!



If you find your name, call our Customer Service Department at 303-444-2037 to receive credit on your account for one month of free service. Sorry, names mentioned as part of the stories are not eligible.



### Holiday Schedule

For up-to-date information about our holiday schedule, call our Holiday Hotline at 303-448-2280 or look it up at [www.westerndisposal.com](http://www.westerndisposal.com).

The following holidays are observed by Western Disposal:

- Memorial Day .....5/29/06
- Independence Day .....7/04/06
- Labor Day .....9/04/06
- Thanksgiving Day .....11/23/06
- Christmas Day .....12/25/06
- New Year's Day .....1/01/07

### E-Minders

Subscribe to Western Disposal's E-Minders Program. This program sends you e-mail reminders of upcoming holidays and other useful information. You can join by calling 303-444-2037 or registering on our web site [www.westerndisposal.com](http://www.westerndisposal.com).

### Want to Recycle Almost Everything?

Western has been busy! Last quarter we launched our 6-yard construction recycling service and this quarter we are launching a new commercial compostable organics and food waste collection service for businesses in the city of Boulder. Call our Customer Service Department at 303-444-2037 today to sign up for this service, to help the environment and to qualify for the city of Boulder rebate program. Ray Calabrese.

As a business, what can you compost in the new service that you were unable to recycle before?

- Food waste (dairy, meat and bones are okay)
- Coffee grounds and paper filters
- Wet and/or waxed cardboard
- Paper towels, napkins and paper placemats
- Paper packaging (if not plastic or metal coated, waxed is okay)
- Paper cups and plates (if not plastic coated, waxed is okay) (no Styrofoam)
- Flowers and plants

#### Why sign up?

- **It's easy!** Western offers compostable collection service in 64-gallon carts and in 2- and 3-cubic-yard containers. We can collect your compostables once or twice per week, depending upon your individual needs. Composting guidelines in both English and Spanish are posted on our composting carts and composting dumpsters.
- **It's clean!** Because plastic bags are not allowed with this service, Western will rinse out your containers each time we provide service using a pressurized water tank mounted on our truck.
- **It qualifies for a city of Boulder rebate** that will help pay for the service. The city of Boulder is currently offering a composting incentive to help you pay for our new service. The City will rebate \$2.50 per cubic yard toward the cost of composting collection service. Western will show this rebate as a credit toward the service cost on your monthly invoice.
- **It will reduce the trash tax** you pay. In addition to the City rebate, you can also save the \$.85 per cubic yard trash tax on every cubic yard of waste when you switch from trash service to composting service.

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## City of Boulder's Annual Spring Cleanup Results

Boulder's 2006 Curbside Spring Cleanup was completed on May 19th. The final count shows 8,482 Boulder households contributed materials this year, each putting out an average of 341 lbs. of organics for recycling. The 2,892,362 pounds of organics will generate over 7,000 cubic yards of 2" mulch.

- This year, your efforts kept more than 1445 tons of organics out of the landfill!
- At the site on 63rd St., more than 334 tons of branches were dropped off.

Thank you, city of Boulder residents!

## Western's New Web Site— It's Up and Running

Check it out at:

[www.westerndisposal.com](http://www.westerndisposal.com)

Western Disposal recently launched our new web site. If you haven't yet had the chance to check it out, we want you to see it! We had you in mind when we put it together so you can easily navigate through the site to find what you need. Anything from how and what to recycle; recycle collection calendars—even holiday schedules and much more!



Let us know what you think—use the "Contact Us" link from the home page!

## New Composting Service *(continued)*

### What happens to the compostable materials?

Western has its own composting facility. Each day, collected compostables are ground with yard waste and placed into windrows for composting.

### Do you want to recycle almost everything?

Western has collection programs to address virtually all of your disposal and recycling needs. Our Sales staff is happy to come to your business to help you redesign your trash and recycling service and incorporate composting collection. Just call 303-444-2037 and ask for Customer Service.

## Best Dump Around!

Western Disposal's Trash & Recycle Center is a one-stop drop. It's the closest place for many Boulder City and County residents and businesses to take their trash, drop off recyclables, yard waste or wood waste and pick up landscape supplies. We are conveniently located near the Valmont Butte at 5880 Butte Mill Road. Visit our web site ([www.westerndisposal.com](http://www.westerndisposal.com)) to access a map to our facility. Our facility is paved; and if you've ever been to a landfill, you can appreciate how nice it is not to deal with all the dust or mud you invariably bring back with you.

In addition to trash, we accept a wide range of recyclable materials:

Free drop-off items:

- Paper
- Cardboard
- Cans and bottles

Drop-off fees apply to these items:

- Electronics
- Metal
- Concrete

The city of Boulder and Boulder County sponsor the organics drop-off programs located at our facility: yard waste and wood waste. The cost of disposal is partially subsidized (or in some cases entirely subsidized) by the city and county of Boulder.

You can also bring your household hazardous waste at the same time. Michael Waggoner and Cynthia Goss. Boulder County operates a household hazardous waste drop-off at

Western's facility and is open Wednesdays from 8:00 am until 3:30 pm, and Fridays and Saturdays from 8:00 am until noon, weather permitting.

While you are here, pick up some of Western's Green 'N Gro compost to invigorate your yard and plants. Compost and mulch, made from organics collected locally or brought to the drop-off, are processed by Western Disposal.

We have continued to improve our facility by adding an additional scale to reduce wait time, providing mulch and compost and accepting a variety of recycle materials in addition to trash and garbage destined for the landfill.

Western Disposal is the County's best one-stop-drop to dump your unwanted materials, keeping your home and business waste and clutter free. Questions? Call our Trash and Recycle Center directly at 303-444-5794.

## Western Helps Meet Green Points Requirement

Announced in our Spring newsletter, Western is now offering 6-yard container service for construction recycling too. This service continues to be our fastest growing line of business. Western can help you meet your city of Boulder Green Points requirement and/or help you divert recyclable construction materials from the landfill. We can recycle your wood, cardboard and scrap metal. You can sort the materials at the jobsite yourself; or, better yet, for a small additional fee, we will do it for you at our Trash and Recycling Center.

Western provides a separate 6-yard container for each individual recyclable material or one for all 3 materials combined—wood, cardboard and scrap metal. We provide recycling guidelines in English and Spanish on each container to help train your employees and minimize contamination. Construction recycling is available in 6-yard containers only. Construction trash service is available in 2-yard or 6-yard dumpsters and in 12-, 20-, 30- and 40-yard roll-off containers.

We will make your recordkeeping easy too. Your invoice will show the weight for each haul of a 6-yard container, trash or recyclables (individual or mixed). And, if you use a roll-off of any size for your trash, the weight of each trash haul can be listed on the invoice. For pricing and other information, call Customer Service at 303-444-2037.

## Give Your Extras

Since its inception, Western Disposal has sponsored the Extras for Education Program. This organization is a Colorado nonprofit organization formed in 1998 to provide resources to education by recycling reusable items donated by others. They work to meet the needs of Boulder County public and private schools and to extend assistance to nonprofit agencies in the area. Ronald E. Gaitten. Extras for Education was founded by community leaders to address the dire need for classroom supplies and the generosity of companies and residents wanting to donate quality, reusable items to a worthy cause.

The organization strives to enhance education, inspire students, make educator's lives a bit easier and provide the option to donate rather than dispose.

In addition to Western, sponsors currently donating more than \$1000 annually to the program are:

- Heritage Bank
- Amgen Foundation
- Ball Corporation
- Community Foundation Serving Boulder County
- University of Colorado Federal Credit Union
- Wells Fargo Community Assistance Fund - Boulder
- In3Corp
- New Belgium Brewing

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## For Your Convenience

Western is now making your landscaping and gardening projects easier.

### How?

You won't need to borrow your neighbor's truck or trailer to haul the materials and you won't need to vacuum your car after unloading the materials.

### Why?

- Western is now selling Boulder's own Green n' Gro compost bagged and ready to go. Get your "Boulder-in-a-Bag" at Western for only \$4.50 per bag plus tax. Each bag is 50 pounds and approximately 1.5 cubic feet.

- We have also added a small dump truck to our fleet to enable delivery of up to 4 cubic yards of compost or natural mulch to your home or landscape project. For a reasonable fee of \$60, we will deliver in Boulder, Louisville, Lafayette or Erie; or for \$75, we will deliver to the Longmont, Lyons and Broomfield areas.



Bagged compost and bulk compost and mulch are also available at Western's one-stop Trash and Recycle Center located at 5880 Butte Mill Road near Stazio Ball Fields. Compost application guidelines and a quantity estimator for compost and mulch are available at our gate house.

- 2" grind natural mulch is available in bulk for \$7.50 per cubic yard plus tax.
- Green N' Gro compost is available in bulk for \$24.00/cubic yard plus tax.

Our compost is 100% organic with no manures or bio-solids. It is made from food and yard waste collected from residences participating in the city of Boulder's yard and food waste pilot collection program . . . food waste adds more nutrients, enhancing the compost. It couldn't be easier—take several bags today or call us and we will bring it to you. To schedule a delivery, please call our Customer Service Department at 303-444-2037.

## Extras *(continued)*

### Helping the Environment

- Extras for Education promotes corporate and residential re-use in Boulder County by picking up items that otherwise would end up in a landfill or in costly storage until obsolete. Extras for Education is the only Boulder County reuse program for office supplies and equipment, art supplies and more that exclusively benefits schools and nonprofit organizations.
- More than 70,000 individual items such as desks, chairs, appliances, bookcases, musical instruments, cases of binders, file folders, art supplies, school supplies and more have been diverted from the landfill via their service.

### Promoting Education

- Extras for Education benefits elementary, middle and high school students in Boulder County by providing valuable classroom supplies to financially challenged schools. Extras provides free-of-charge a range of items that schools would otherwise need to purchase. This allows schools to channel scarce funds into programs that directly impact learning.
- Since 1998, Extras for Education has provided over \$1.6 million dollars worth of quality goods for nearly every public school in the Boulder Valley and St. Vrain Valley school districts and over 200 private schools and nonprofit organizations in Boulder County, Colorado.

### Give Extras Your Extras

- Do you have quality items lying around that you no longer need? Don't dump it! Donate it to Extras for Education. Make sure your items are lightly used, not abused. Call 303-823-9460 to arrange for a pickup.
- A small pickup fee to cover fuel, storage and insurance expenses is charged. However, it's much less than you'd pay to throw it away, store until obsolete or haul it around yourself.

### Items Accepted

- Lightly used, not abused, furniture and small household appliances
- Office equipment and supplies in good condition and working order
- Any item that can potentially be re-used in a school or nonprofit organization such art supplies, craft, gardening materials, fabric, athletic equipment, etc.

### Items Not Accepted

- Computers. If your computer is in good condition and less than 4 years old, call Community Computer Connection at 303-530-3561 [www.jaredpolisfoundation.org](http://www.jaredpolisfoundation.org). If more than 4 years old and/or not in working order, bring it to Western for recycling.
- Floor model copiers
- Less than absolutely perfect printers
- Over 100 3-ring binders at a time
- Shelf units over 6 ft. tall
- Metal desks

## Extra Trash Stickers



If you live in the city of Boulder, don't forget to purchase your extra trash stickers at \$2.30 each and save 35% over the on-route price of \$3.50 per 32-gallon container.

Stickers can be acquired in a number of ways (minimum order of five, unless purchased in person):

1. In person: Western's Admin. Bldg.  
5880 Butte Mill Road
2. By phone: 303-444-2037
3. By fax: 303-444-7509
4. By electronic mail:  
[contact@westerndisposal.com](mailto:contact@westerndisposal.com)
5. Via web site:  
[www.westerndisposal.com](http://www.westerndisposal.com)
6. By mail: P.O. Box 9100  
Boulder, CO 80301

### *Automatic Payment Be On Time, Every Time!*

Western offers **automatic payment** as a simple and convenient way to have your charges automatically withdrawn from your bank account or credit card. We'll send you a statement of charges for you to review before the actual withdrawal date, so there's never any question about the amount you owe. It also saves you the trouble and cost of writing and mailing a check. To find out how to enroll in this free and simple payment plan, check out our website at [www.westerndisposal.com](http://www.westerndisposal.com) or call Customer Service at 303-444-2037.

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