La Jolla Indian Reservation Tribal EPA Conference October 23, 2008

# ELECTRONIC WASTE PRESENTATION

### **Electronic Waste**

- What is electronic waste? Washers & dryers, televisions, refrigerators, old VHS or DVD players, CD and radio players
- Most waste haulers will not allow you to simply throw them away
- Many times you will find old TV's, refrigerators, washers, and dryers littered throughout the Reservation or sitting in a persons yard
- Educate Tribal residents on what is considered E-waste and why it is dangerous to illegally dump in the environment



## E-Waste History

- In 2005, used or unwanted electronics amounted to approximately 1.9 to 2.2 million tons. Of that about 1.5 to 1.9 million tons were primarily in landfills.
- Only 345,000 to 379,000 tons were recycled
- E-Waste represents 2% of America's waste in landfills but it equals 70% of overall toxic waste

## Dangers of E-Waste (Lead)

- Found in glass panels in computer monitors and TVs.
- It can accumulate in the environment and have a detrimental effect on plants, animals, and humans.
- 40% of the lead found in U.S. landfills comes from discarded electrical and electronic products
- Lead can migrate to both groundwater and soil when landfilled.

## Dangers of E-Waste (Lead)

- Harmful health effects of lead include decreased growth, hyperactivity, impaired hearing, and brain damage.
- Lead is stored primarily in the bones, but is particularly toxic to the reproductive and nervous systems, the blood, and the kidneys.
- Children's brains and nervous systems are more sensitive to the damaging effects of lead.

## Dangers of E-Waste

- Mercury- it is found in thermostats, position sensors, discharge lamps, and batteries. Mercury can cause brain damage.
- Hexavalent Chromium- can be used to protect against corrosion of untreated and galvanized steel plates. It can damage DNA and has been linked to asthmatic bronchitis. The major pathways are through landfill leachate or from ash generated when materials containing chromium are incinerated.
- Cadmium- Found in chip resistors and it can accumulate in and damage the kidneys.

### **Electronic Waste**

- Set up a centralized or multiple drop off areas for electronic waste
- Set up an area in your transfer station, it does not take up much space
- Put signs up in the transfer station showing the designated drop off area
- Research to find a company in your area that will remove E-Waste free of charge
- Find out what E-Waste they will and will not take
- Contact local electronic stores (Best Buy or Fry's) to see if they have E-Waste collection days
- Look for other grants to pay for the removal of E-Waste (Best Buy)



## La Jolla E-Waste Drop-Off Center



#### Website: www.cleanearthrecycling.com



### Pick up form

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	CLEAN FARTH 444 Athol Street			
	CLEAN EARTH RECYCLING 444 Athol Street San Bernardino, CA 91786 www.cleanearthrecycling.com			
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## Items Accepted by Clean-Earth Recycling

### Computer Technology

Computer towers Speakers Keyboards Mice Trackballs **Tablets** Microphones Headsets Webcams External hard drives **Printers** Scanners Computer instruments (AUX pianos, drums, etc.)

Spare parts (wireless cards, hard drives, graphics cards, etc.)
Laptops
Servers (PC/Mac)

#### **CRT & Video Devices**

LCD monitors
 LCD TVs
 Plasma devices
 DLP projection TVs
 Projectors
 Console TVs
 Computer monitors

## Items Accepted by Clean-Earth Recycling (Continued)

### Household Appliances

VCRs
 DVD & CD players
 (portable & stationary)
 Sound systems
 Stereo systems (portable & stationary)
 CD players
 MP3 players
 Cassette players
 Cassette players
 Gaming systems (Wii, Playstation, X-Box, etc.)
 Portable gaming systems (Nintendo DS, Gameboy Advance, etc.)

Microwave ovens Telephones & cell phones Dishwashers Washers & dryers Refrigerators Freezers Lamps Toasters Fans Air conditioners Vacuum cleaners Steam cleaners Electric generators Adapters

#### **Certificate of Destruction**

Issued by Clean Earth Recycling after our first pick-up in January 2007



#### CERTIFICATE OF RECYCLING

<u>Customer</u> La Jolla Band Of Indians 22000 Highway 76 Puma Valley, CA 92061

Date Received	Material	Quantity
1-5-07	CRT	5 Unit(s)
1-5-07	E-Waste	4 Unit(s)

This document certifies that the materials received by E-cyclers, Inc. were handled in compliance with the guidelines set by the California Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) pursuant to section 66273.83, subsection {c}. Specifically regarding the recycling of Cathode Ray Tubes (CRTs).

Methods used by E-cyclers, Inc. and its downstream recyclers to recover component materials also assures that all equipment, data devices, devices, or products contained in the above documented load(s) were recycled properly, completely, and in an environmentally safe manner. All data devices such as hard disk were removed and processed for the aluminum value only. E-cyclers, Inc. releases the customer from any and all liabilities related to or arising from the safe recycling of the above documented load(s). All CRT glass is sent to secondary recyclers.

Certified on the 8th day of January, 2007

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## Disposed & Recycled E-Waste in 08 by La Jolla Indian Reservation

- We have had three pickups for this last year and have a fourth one scheduled
- CRT- (TV/Monitor) 1816lbs
- E-waste- 2798 lbs
- Batteries- 431 lbs
- Total= 5045 lbs



## Impact on the Community

- La Jolla started its E-Waste collection center in December 2006
- We have educated people about the dangers of E-Waste
- No longer see E-Waste illegally dumped throughout the Reservation
- People have begun to ask about other disposal programs (oil and HHW)
- Tribal members call our office for any questions regarding E-Waste or if they need help disposing of it