

Household Hazardous Waste

Many common household items contain heavy metals (mercury, lead, etc.) and other chemicals which are harmful when released into the environment. This happens when rain water percolates through a landfill, and those contaminants merge with the ground water. Those same contaminants can eventually be passed on to fish. Other contaminants in the landfill can evaporate and later condense into acid rain, which also joins the food chain. Eventually those contaminants can arrive on our dinner tables!



To combat this, St. Tammany Parish along with the Sierra Club's Honey Island Group annually host Household Hazardous Waste Collection Days in the spring and fall at two selected locations in the parish:

- (1) Koop Drive Administrative Parking Lot – Mandeville
- (2) Lakeshore Boulevard next to the Northshore Harbor Center – Slidell

Please call ahead to 985-898-2535 for information on the upcoming collection day in your area.

Items collected include: batteries (all kinds), cell phones, light bulbs (all types), mercury-containing devices, ink jet and toner cartridges, tires (5 per household), E-waste (TVs, PCs, copiers, fax machines, microwaves, radios, stereos, VCRs), latex and oil-based paints, spray paint, stains, and polyurethane coatings with readable labels.

For more information on our past Collection Days, please visit this website:

<http://louisiana.sierraclub.org/honeyisland/hhw.html>