# Waste Reduction & Recycling Guide



Amador County

Waste Management and Recycling Department
(209) 223-6429

www.amadorgov.org

For more information, https://www.amadorgov.org/departments/waste-management-recycling

## You are a Part of the Solution!

This Guide provides basic tips to make it easier to recycle and ideas on how to

Every year Californians generate nearly 100 million tons of garbage!

Mandatory Organics Recycling: SB 1383, a new California state law, requires a 50% reduction of organic waste disposal by 2020 and a 75% reduction by 2025. Organic waste includes: all green waste, food waste and wood waste, and the reductions must be from the disposal amounts recorded in 2014.

Each of us also have a stake in preserving resources for future generations by reducing the amount of material we send to landfills. By reducing waste and recycling, we can all save on disposal costs and help protect the environment.

Please contact the Amador County Community Development Agency's Waste Management and Recycling Department with any questions or comments at (209) 223-6429. Also, visit our website at:

https://www.amadorgov.org/departments/wastemanagement-recycling

Keep Amador County Clean and Beautiful!

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# Regional Agency & Local Task Force



## LOCAL OVERSIGHT OF WASTE MANAGEMENT (Regional Agency and Local Task Force)

#### **Regional Agency:**

- To decrease the amount of solid waste going into disposal facilities by establishing source reduction, recycling, and composting programs.
- To develop goals, policies, and procedures which are consistent with the guidelines and regulations of Cal Recycle.
- Regional Agency Members include one elected official from each incorporated city and two County Supervisors:

Amador City	(209) 267-0682	<u>www.amador-city.com</u>
<b>Amador County</b>	(209) 223-6470	www.co.amadorgov.org
Ione	(209) 274-2412	http://ione-ca.com
Jackson	(209) 223-1646	http://ci.jackson.ca.us
Plymouth	(209) 245-6941	www.cityofplymouth.org
Sutter Creek	(209) 267-5647	http://cityofsutter-creek.org

#### **Local Task Force:**

Local Task Force Members are volunteers that represent the solid waste industry, environmental organizations, the general public, special districts, and affected governmental agencies.

## WHAT'S NEW???

### **DON'T RUSH TO FLUSH**

This program has the goal of increasing the disposal of unwanted medicines across the state of California.



### **REFUEL YOUR FUN**

Program promotes the use of new refillable 1

Ib. propane cylinders and the proper
disposal of single-use 1 lb. cylinders.

Refillables save consumers money and hassle!

### **BYE-BYE MATTRESS**

No-cost mattress recycling program that converts your old products from waste to recycling.

## **CARPET CARE**

Carpet America Recovery Effort (CARE) - carpet recycling



## **LOCAL RECYCLE CENTERS**

M & R Recycling 313 Preston Ave. Ione, CA. 95640 (209) 365-3299 Valley Recycling, Inc. 19394 State Hwy 88 Pine Grove, CA. 95665 (209) 772-9340

## **HAZARDOUS WASTE FROM BUSINESSES**

By appointment only Please call: (209) 223-6429

# PHONE RESOURCES



#### ADOPT-A-ROAD

CalTrans Adopt-A-Highway Program	209-948-7462
www.adopt-a-highway.dot.ca.gov	

#### **COMPUTER MONITOR & TELEVISION RECYCLING**

Please refer to page 13 for more information or contact:

ACES Buena Vista & Pine Grove Office	209-274-2237
ACES Buena Vista Transfer Station	209-274-2237

#### **HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS & UNIVERSAL WASTE**

Please refer to page 13 for more information or contact:
Amador County Waste Management Department 209-223-6429

#### **RECYCLING & WASTE HANDLING INFORMATION**

Amador County Waste Management Department	209-223-6429
www.amadorgov.org	

M & R Recycling - Ione, CA. 209-365-3299

Valley Recycling, Inc. - Pine Grove, CA. 209-772-9340

ACES—Buena Vista Transfer Station 209-274-2237

www.aceswaste.com

ACES—Buena Vista & Pine Grove Office 209-274-2237

www.aceswaste.com

#### TO REPORT ILLEGAL DUMPING OR LITTERING

Amador Secret Witness	209-223-4900
Amador County Sheriff's Office	209-223-6500
Amador County Code Enforcement	209-223-6565

#### **USED OIL & FILTER RECYCLING CENTERS**

Please refer to page 15 for more information.

## **WASTE HAULERS &**



**ACES- Pine Grove** 

19801 Berry Street,

Pine Grove, CA 95665 (209) 274-2237

9 - 12 noon, 1 - 4 pm

Tuesday - Saturday

**ACES- Buena Vista** 

6500 Buena Vista Road,

Ione, CA 95640 (209) 274-2237

9 - 5 pm, 7 days a week www.aceswaste.com

Serving the following locations:

City of Jackson City of Plymouth City of Ione City of Amador City

City of Sutter Creek Drytown Volcano Fiddletown Lake Camanche Willow Creek Pine Grove **River Pines** 

Buena Vista Kirkwood areas

#### SERVICES PROVIDED BY WASTE HAULER

- Residential and Commercial Recycling & Waste Collection
- **Green Waste Recycling**
- Material Recovery Facility / Transfer Station
- FREE Hazardous Waste & E-Waste Disposal\*

\*Every other Saturday at Buena Vista Transfer Station

- FREE computer and television disposal (see page 12)
- FREE used motor oil disposal (see page 15)

For more information on these or other services, please contact the waste hauler for your area or the Amador County Waste Management Department at (209) 223-6429 or visit www.co.amador.ca.us/depts/waste

#### SERVICES PROVIDED - CURBSIDE RECYCLING

ACES Waste Services provides automated cart service for waste and recycling in <u>designated service areas</u>.

#### For Non-designated Areas:

ACES will provide you with <u>orange bags</u> for your curbside recyclables.

NO SORTING NECESSARY! Mix all your recyclables (cans, bottles, glass, paper, cardboard, etc.) together in the <u>orange</u> bags or the automated recycling cart.

#### ACCEPTED

#### NOT ACCEPTED

## The following items are accepted in ACES recycling program:

Aluminum or tin cans

Glass bottles & jars

Plastic bottles (PETE #1 symbol)

Plastic bottles (HDPE #2 symbol)

Plastic containers # 3-7

White & colored paper (any size)

Magazines and catalogs

Newspapers

Junk mail (window envelopes ok)

Brown paper grocery bags

Post-it-notes

Cardboard egg cartons

Flattened cereal / cracker boxes

Telephone books

Corrugated cardboard (flattened)

Paper back books

The following items are NOT accepted in ACES recycling

#### program:

Waxed juice boxes or milk cartons

Scrap metal, ceramic, Pyrex, window glass, mirrors, or light bulbs

Food-contaminated paper & cardboard products

Contaminated Packaging, liners, paper dishware, or plastic utensils

Used napkins, paper towels, or tissues

Blueprint or carbon paper

Rubber bands

## (A-Z) SELF-SERVICE GUIDE FOR WASTE HANDLING & RECYCLING

#### **Additional Recycling & Waste Handling Information**

Amador County Waste Management Department (209) 223-6429 or www.amadorgov.org

#### Ammo/Bullets

Please call the Amador County Sherriff's Office at (209) 223-6500

#### **Antifreeze**

Accepted daily at the Buena Vista Transfer Station in Ione.

#### **Appliances** (see pg. 4)

Please bring your appliances to your nearest transfer station. Please call for cost information.

#### Asbestos

Please contact a certified asbestos abatement company or call 1-800-72TOXIC.

#### **Ashes**

DO NOT PLACE IN GARBAGE. Should be completely extinguished and then buried on your property.

#### Beverage Containers (see pg. 16)

CRV is now (\$.05) for containers less than 24 oz. and (\$.10) for containers larger than 24 oz.

#### **Butane Bottles**

Please visit https://refuelyourfun.org/

#### Car Batteries (see pg. 13)

Please bring your car batteries to the HHW Collection, a transfer station, or O'Reilly Auto Parts in Martell

#### **Carpet Recycling**

Please visit <a href="https://carpetrecovery.org/california/">https://carpetrecovery.org/california/</a>

#### **Christmas Trees**

Amador County and ACES Waste Services collects Christmas trees at no charge during the month of January, please call (209) 223-6429

#### **Clothes / Textiles / Fabrics**

These items are recyclable, please call a local Thrift Store to make a donation: Hospice of Amador (209) 223-4762, The Call Thrift Store (209) 223-4250, Hospital Auxiliary Thrift Shop (209) 223-5570



### (A-Z) SELF-SERVICE GUIDE

Cooking Oils / Thanksgiving Turkey

Please call Amador County Waste Management Department at (209) 223-6429.

Cell Phones (see pg. 12)

Please bring your cell phones (useable or not) to your cell phone dealer, a HHW Event or a local school with a cell phone recycling program.



Computer Monitors (see pg. 12)

Please bring your computer monitors to either transfer station free of charge. Limit of two per person per day



Conditionally Exempt Small Quantity Generator (CESQG)

(Disposal options for businesses – Fees will apply) Please call the Amador County Waste Management Department for an appointment (209) 223-6429

Construction and Demolition (C & D) Waste

If you have questions or qualify for self hauling of this material, please call: ACES - Pine Grove (209) 274-2237 ACES - Buena Vista (209) 274-2237. Examples of C & D materials which can be diverted from the waste stream include: Asphalt, con crete, stone, brick, untreated wood materials, PVC pipe, trees, shrubs, stumps, logs, brush, roofing materials, and scrap metals.

Find more information on

C & D waste at: www.calrecycle.ca.gov/ConDemo/

<u>Curbside Recycling</u> (see pg. 4-5) ACES Waste Services, Inc. (209) 274-2237



**Diesel Oil** — For Residential Use Only (see pg. 15)

(same as Used Motor Oil and Oil Filters)

See page 15 for a complete list of used oil collection centers.

Electronic Waste (E-Waste) (see pg. 12)

E-Waste is accepted daily at Buena Vista Transfer Station in Ione and ACES in Pine Grove.

**Flares** 

Take to the household hazardous waste collection Events every other Saturday. (See page 13)



Fluorescent Bulbs (CFL's) (see pg. 12)

Please bring your fluorescent light bulbs to

an HHW Collection Event.

For your convenience, the following Retail Stores are now accepting household batteries, fluorescent tubes and bulbs: Ace Hardware Ione & Meeks Lumber and Hardware.

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#### **Greenwaste (Yard Waste)** (see pg. 2)

Vicini Brothers Green Waste Recycling Facility, Plymouth, CA. (209) 245-3850.

#### Household Batteries (see pg. 12)

Please bring household batteries to the HHW Collection Event or visit one of the following retail stores:

ACE Hardware Ione and Meeks Lumber and Hardware

#### Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) (see page 13)

Visit Buena Vista Transfer Station every other Saturday.

#### Mattresses

Please bring to ACES Waste Services, Inc. for free disposal.

#### Medical Waste (Sharps) (see pg. 13)

California law prohibits the disposal of home-generated sharps in the waste disposal system. Please bring to HHW collection event.

#### Mercury thermometers and switches (see pg. 13)

Please bring to the HHW Collection Event.



#### Microwaves (see pg. 12)

Please bring to the HHW Collection Event held every other Saturday at the Buena Vista Transfer Station.

#### **Paint**

Contact Nichole Dorr, Central California Regional Coordinator with Paint Care. (530) 446-4017 | ndorr@paint.org

#### Pharmaceuticals & Expired and Unused Medicines

Please take to disposal bins located at: Ione Pharmacy, Ione Police Dept., or Jackson Police Dept.

#### **Plastic Bag Recycling**

Please bring your plastic grocery bags to any major



### (A-Z) SELF-SERVICE GUIDE

#### Propane Tank: DO NOT PLACE IN GARBAGE. Call one of the

following propane gas companies to dispose or reuse: Main Street Gas Company - Pioneer (209) 295-7087 AmeriGas - Jackson (209) 223-0706 Kamps Propane - Jackson (209) 223-5186 or Pine Grove (209) 296-5544

FOR EXCHANGE: Wal-Mart, Lowes, Raleys, and

Mirastar

#### Rechargeable Batteries\* (see pg. 12-13)

Please bring your old rechargeable batteries to the HHW Collection Event.

\*Please tape the contact points on rechargeable batteries The following retail stores are now accepting household batteries, fluorescent tubes and bulbs:

ACE Hardware Ione or Meeks Lumber and Hardware

#### **Rubble, Concrete & Asphalt**

Please call Goose Hill Quarry at (209) 274-2602 or Irish Hil Quarry at (209) 274-6396 or (209) 274-2777.

#### <u>Styrofoam</u> (packing peanuts, blocks, etc.)

Please contact a local mail center for reuse of packaging peanuts. For other Styrofoam materials contact the store where the items were purchased and ask for recycling options.

#### Televisions (see pg. 12)

Please bring your television sets to either transfer station free of Charge during business hours.

Limit of two per person per day

#### Tires (see pg. 14)

DO NOT PLACE IN GARBAGE. Must be recycled through your tire dealer or transfer station.

#### **Toner / Printer Cartridges**

Please call Staples Office Store at (209) 257-0430, or the Amador School District at (209) 257-5353.

#### **Treated Wood**

DO NOT PLACE IN GARBAGE. Must be segregated for proper disposal at a transfer station.

#### Used Oil & Oil Filters (see pg. 15)

## **Amador County Waste Management Department Is Here To...**

"The Waste Management Department manages the safe and sanitary storage, collection, transportation, and disposal of solid waste in Amador County. The Department is also responsible for the design, development, implementation, and promotion of recycling, waste reduction, and waste diversion programs."

## **Community Outreach and Education:**

**School Programs** 

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle Composting and Worms Recycling Wizard Other Requests

**Teacher Newsletter** 

**Library Programs** 

**Public Presentations** 

Upon request

**Booths at Special Events** Amador County Fair

Food Bank Compost Demonstration Project Recycling Guides and Informational Flyers

Located throughout the County

**Lending Resources** School curriculum

## **Recycling and Waste Reduction:**

**Mobile Collection Events** 

Christmas Tree collection Waste Tire Collection

HHW

**Recycling Receptacles** 

Fairgrounds Fundraisers Special events Other requests

**Paper and Beverage Recycling** 

Government Office Recycling Program

Business Recycling School Recycling

**Waste Evaluations** 

County Office Recycling Program

**Business Recycling** 

## **Grant Programs:**

Household Hazardous Waste

Take-It-Back Amador Sharps collection

Mobile collection events

CalRecycle

City/County Program Beverage container

recycling

**Environmental Service Joint Powers Authority** 

Used oil collection centers Special collection events

Tire Recycling
Amnesty events

## **Amador County Waste Management Department Sponsored Collection Events**

## **Special Collection Events at a Glance:**



These events occur when funding is available.

Please contact Amador County Waste Management Department at 223-6429 for events that may be scheduled in your area.

#### **E-Waste Collection**

Collected daily at both transfer stations and at various fundraising collection events offered throughout county. Contact the Waste Management Department for more information.

#### **Household Hazardous Waste**

Mobile collection events occur as funding becomes available. Accepted every other Saturday at the Buena Vista Transfer Station in Ione. For dates and times, contact the Waste Management Department.

#### **Sharps Collection**

Home-generated sharps may not be thrown in the trash. Hypodermic needles, syringes, lancets, and other medical devices used for self-injection or blood test, which may have a sharp tip or the end must be sealed and clearly marked in an approved container and taken to the HHW collection facility.

### **Tire Recycling**

Must be recycled through your tire dealer or transfer station. Free mobile collection events are offered by Amador County Waste Management and Recycling Department when funding is available.

### **Used Oil & Filter Recycling**

Accepted daily at both transfer stations and several other retail locations (see page 15 for more information).

## **Amador County Waste Management Department Sponsored Collection Events**

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Collected **Daily** at Buena Vista
Transfer Station and ACES
Waste Service Pine Grove
Cell Phones
Computers
Electronic
Devices

Limit 2 per person per day

Electronic Waste is usually described as anything with:

- CordChip
- PlugBattery
- Circuit Board





## \*NEW\*

Free Service for Old/unwanted/
expired

Pharmaceutical Medication collection at the following locations:

Ione Pharmacy
Ione Police Department
And Jackson Police Department

## **Sponsored Collection Events**





#### HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE (HHW)

LIMIT OF 15 GALLONS / 125 POUNDS PER CUSTOMER PER DAY

This program is for residential use only (Business waste by appointment only)

Please call (209) 223-6429



WHEN: Every other Saturday (1st & 3rd weekends)

WHERE: Buena Vista Transfer Station

**TIME:** 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. (every other Saturday)

PLEASE CALL FOR SCHEDULE

(209) 223-6429

Antifreeze & Gasoline Brake Fluids Used oil & oil filters Pool Chemicals Sharps

(injection needles)

Paints & Thinners Household Batteries Pesticides & Insecticides Mercury Products

(thermostats and switches) Fluorescent tubes & bulbs Computers and Televisions

Car/ Truck Batteries Cell phones

Non-empty aerosol cans Electronic devices Household cleaners

## COMMON HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE PRODUCTS INCLUDE:

#### **ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED:**

Explosives, Ammunition, Pharmaceuticals, Radioactive Waste







## **Sponsored Collection Events**

#### TIRE RECYCLING

Please bring your tires to the following locations for recycling: (Fee will apply)

ACES - Pine Grove 19801 Berry Street, Pine Grove (209) 274-2237

ACES - Buena Vista 6500 Buena Vista Road, Ione (209) 274-2237 (Transfer Station)



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## Amador County Tire Recycling Events

For the next scheduled event, please call the Waste Management Department at (209) 223-6429

Only Amador County residents may drop off up to nine (9) personally-used, non-commercial, non-ag tires WITHOUT RIMS at these FREE Tire Disposal Events.

\*Provided through a grant from CalRecycle

For more information, please call Amador County Waste Management Department at (209) 223-6429 or visit our website at www.amadorgov.org

## **Sponsored Collection Events**

#### **USED OIL & FILTER RECYCLING CENTERS**

CENTERS WILL ACCEPT USED OIL AND FILTERS
DURING THEIR BUSINESS HOURS
Limit of 15 gallons per person per day



#### FOR RESIDENTIAL USE ONLY

**ACES - PINE GROVE** (209) 274-2237

19801 Berry Street ACES - BUENA VISTA
Pine Grove 6500 Buena Vista Road

**O'REILLY AUTO PARTS** (209) 223-3256

12440 Jackson Gate Rd. LYNCH'S AUTOMOTIVE
Martell 12568 Jackson Gate Road

TOMMY'S GARAGE (209) 274-0605 340 Preston Avenue, JACKSON EXPRESS Ione 106 French Bar Rd.,

FOOTHILL GARAGE AND SPEEDEE OIL CHANGE AND WRECKING TUNE-UP

9408 Pacific Street 12470 Jackson Gate Rd.
Plymouth

(209) 245-3370 **AUTO ZONE** 

**1-800-CLEANUP** 

11201 Prospect Dr. Jackson, CA. 95642 (209) 257-1787

IT IS ILLEGAL TO ABANDON USED OIL OR OTHER HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES AT ANY TIME Call (209) 223-6429/





# DROP-OFF / BUY BACK RECYCLE CENTERS

(For California Redemption Value (CRV) Bottles & Cans)

## M & R Recycling

313 Preston Ave. Ione, CA. 95640 (209) 365-3299

## Valley Recycling Inc.

19394 State Hwy 88 Pine Grove, CA. 95665 (209) 772-9340

## REDUCE, REUSE, REYCLE EVERYDAY!!!!







## THE 5R's: What you can do now! (Don't stop at just 3 R's, try all 5!)

#### **REDUCE**

The first R is **REDUCE**. Prevent materials from becoming waste in the first place.

For example: Buy in bulk to eliminate packaging waste.

#### **REUSE**

The second R is **REUSE**. Many items can be reused over and over again before they become waste.

For example: Utilize reusable containers to store left-over food.

#### **RECYCLE**

The third R is **RECYCLE**. Recycling uses old materials to manufacture new products.

<u>For example:</u> Beverage containers, paper, magazines, plastic, glass, scrap metals, and even construction materials can be recycled.

#### **REBUY**

The fourth R is **REBUY**. Buying products made from recycled material helps support markets for recycling.

<u>For example:</u> Buy a fleece jacket made from recycled plastic bottles!

For more information, visit: www.calrecycle.ca.gov

#### ROT

The final R is **ROT**. Backyard and worm composting makes a rich soil amendment used to help grow healthy plants.

<u>For example:</u> Many Amador County residents are making compost from their own yard waste and food scraps.

## **COMPOSTING**

**COMPOSTING:** Earth's way of recycling!

#### **Ingredients:**

**Browns** (Carbon): leaves, twigs, sawdust, newspaper.

<u>Greens</u> (Nitrogen): grass clippings, fruit & vegetable scraps, and coffee grounds. NO MEAT OR DAIRY (will attract pests)!

<u>Air</u>: add air by using your larger twigs and sticks on the bottom and by turning the pile periodically.

<u>Water</u>: add water as you build and turn your pile, until it is as damp as a wrung out sponge.

### **Three Basic Steps:**

Chop: materials to less than 6 inches.

<u>Mix</u>: brown and greens to 50/50 by volume. <u>Moisture</u>: the pile should always be damp.

#### **Getting Started:**

- 1. Choose a bin that is right for your needs.
- 2. Pick a place without too much sun.
- 3. Use a pitch fork to mix pile periodically.
- 4. Chop and layer materials with the larger and bushy items on the bottom. Alternate layers with browns and greens and moisten each layer with water.
- 5. Watch it rot.
- 6. Finished compost will be dark and crumbly with an earthy smell, and you can no longer see individual materials.

For more information on composting: www.calrecycle.ca.gov/FoodWaste/Compost/

## **WORM COMPOSTING (vermiculture)**



Vermiculture is the art of raising worms which includes a mixture of partially decomposed organic waste, bedding, and worm castings. There are many benefits to worm composting such as, diverting food scraps from the waste stream and producing a nutrient rich organic compost for your garden, lawn, or houseplants.

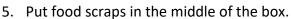
### How to create your own worm composting box:

#### Supplies-

- 1. Box (any size with a lid). Plastic tubs work best.
- 2. A piece of screen (same size as the lid of your box).
- 3. Bedding (newspaper ripped into strips or shredded paper).
- 4. Soil (just a handful or two from outside).
- 5. Food (vegetable, fruit, coffee grounds, coffee filters, and bread food scraps. NO MEAT OR DAIRY!
- 6. Worms: "red wigglers" (earthworms work much slower).

#### How to-

- 1. Make holes in the lid of your box and glue the piece of screen over the lid so the worms do not escape.
- 2. Then put in bedding (shredded newspaper).
- 3. Add a couple handfuls of soil (adds beneficial bugs).
- 4. Add worms (call the Waste Management Department for more information).



- 6. Cover with more bedding (shredded newspaper).
- 7. Sprinkle a little water over the bedding so that it is damp.
- 8. Keep your worms in a dark, dry place and feed them about once to twice a week, depending on the size of your box.
- 9. To harvest castings for garden or lawn see following website:



For more information on worm composting look for Mary Applehof's book,

<u>Worms Eat My Garbage</u> at 
www.wormwoman.com



## **ONLINE RESOURCES**

#### **COUNTY & GOVERNMENT LINKS:**

**Amador County** 

www.amadorgov.org

CalRecycle

www.calrecycle.ca.gov

**Department of Toxic Substance Control (DTSC)** 

www.dtsc.ca.gov

Rural Counties Environmental Service Joint Powers Authority (ESJPA)

www.esjpa.orq

**U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)** 

www.epa.gov

#### **INFORMATIONAL LINKS:**

**Buy Recycled:** 

www.calrecycle.ca.gov/RecycleStore

www.recycledproducts.com

www.freecycle.org

www.calrecycle.ca.gov/CalMAX

Compost:

www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Organics/HomeCompost/Bins/BinList.htm

#### **LINKS FOR TEACHERS:**

http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Education/

www.videoproject.com

www.epa.gov/teachers

www.americarecyclesday.org



Amador County Waste Management Department offers free classroom presentations for K-12 grades in Amador County. Please call (209) 223-6429 for more information.

#### **LINKS FOR KIDS:**

www.epa.gov/recyclecity

www.kidsface.org

www.seussville.com/games/lorax

www.epa.gov/students

www.recyclerex.com

www.greendollhouse.org



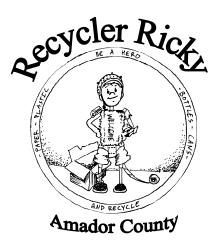


www.eddytheeco-dog.com/recyclegame/recyclegame.html

# Recycler Ricky: Amador County's Recycling Mascot

In April of 2004, the Amador County Regional Agency sponsored a drawing contest for K-12 graders to create a recycling mascot for Amador County. Out of over 200 entries received the Regional Agency selected nine nominees; three at each of the following levels: Elementary, Junior High, and High School.

In July (2004) the selected nominees were displayed at the Amador County Fair for the public to vote on their favorite mascot to represent the face of recycling in Amador County.



On November 4, 2004, the Regional Agency held a special ceremony to award the winners for their drawings. Gina Salvador, a senior student of Amador High School was awarded overall winner of the contest. Her drawing of "Recycler Ricky" is now Amador County's Recycling Mascot!

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City of Amador City City of Ione City of Jackson City of Plymouth City of Sutter Creek





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