

E-Waste Collection Event

On Saturday, September 13th, 432 vehicles dropped off over 34,000 pounds of obsolete and unwanted electronic equipment at Oro Loma's second e-waste event of 2008. The event, free to all participants, was held in the Arroyo High School teachers' parking lot.

Since February 8, 2006 it has been illegal in California to dispose of universal waste in the trash.



Oro Loma Wins CASA Award

Oro Loma received the 2008 Organizational Innovation Award from the California Association of Sanitation Agencies (CASA) for its participation in designing a program to train new wastewater treatment operators.

Many operators came into the field in the 1960s and '70s, with the passage of the Clean Water Act. Close to 50% of all current operators are expected to retire within seven to ten years, and it is vital that new well-trained operators are available to replace them.

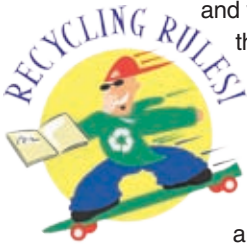
Working with other water and wastewater agencies in the Bay Area and with Solano Community College, the District helped design a comprehensive training program leading to a Certificate of Achievement in Water/Wastewater or an Associate of Science Degree.

Besides training new operators, the collaborative effort with 12 regional water and wastewater agencies provides the framework to address other shared concerns, including biosolids disposal, recycled water, and other water quality issues within the Bay Area.

Oro Loma Earth Day 2009 Poster Contest—RECYCLING RULES!

Show us why recycling is important, and what the rules are for recycling in Oro Loma, and you might win a first place prize of \$700, a second place prize of \$500, a third place prize of \$300 or one of two honorable mentions of \$150 each. Entry forms for the Oro Loma Earth Day 2009 Poster Contest are printed in the Oro Loma 2008-2009 calendar, and will be available online and in schools on January 20, 2009.

Entries in the 2009 poster contest may be submitted from January 20, 2009 through March 20, 2009. The rules for recycling in Oro Loma are available at www.oroloma.org.



Recycle Your Holiday Tree

- January 5 through January 16, 2009;
- Green trees only;
- Trees that are 6 ft. or under, or are cut into lengths of 6 ft. or less;
- NO snow flocking, tinsel, or ornaments;
- NO tree stands or nails;
- Place tree next to your green cart on your regular collection day.
- Bulky pickup is suspended during the holiday tree pickup period.

Notes:

Flocked trees cannot be recycled. However, they will be picked up curbside at no additional cost January 5 through January 16, 2009, on your regular collection day.

Flocked trees will not be picked up curbside after January 16, 2009. To discard **flocked trees** after this date, cut them up and place them in your **garbage** cart.

After January 16, 2009, green trees will not be collected curbside. To recycle **green trees** after this date, cut them up and place them in your **green** cart.

For further information, call Waste Management at (510) 613-8710.



Oro Loma General Manager, Jason Warner, holding CASA award