

Helpful Reminders

California Universal Waste

Drop off fluorescent tubes, electronic devices, mercury thermostats, batteries, and other universal waste at e-waste collection events or at household hazardous waste sites.

Collection Day

If your collection days are on Friday, December 25, and Friday, January 1, your collections will be on Saturday, December 26, and Saturday, January 2.

Bulky Pickup

Oro Loma residential customers are entitled to two free bulky waste pickups per calendar year. To schedule a pickup, call (510) 613-8710 at least two weeks in advance. Call back if you do not receive a confirmation postcard. Bulky pickup is suspended January 4-15, 2010. Visit www.oroloma.org for more information.

2010 Recycling Schedules

The 2010 recycling schedules are now in the mail and posted at www.oroloma.org.

MAKE THIS A GREEN HOLIDAY

This holiday, don't forget your role in maintaining a healthy environment. Here are some ways to make the season environmentally-friendly:

1. Buy wrapping paper made with recycled content.
2. Save used wrapping paper and reuse it next year.
3. Make your own gift wrap from butcher paper, reused brown paper bags, newspapers, and the funny pages.
4. Buy baskets at garage sales and local thrift stores to fill with homemade treats.
5. Make reusable gift sacks from scrap cloth.
6. Or don't give packages at all. Instead, give certificates for services like car washing or baby sitting.

Remember to recycle your green holiday tree:

- Dates: January 4-15, 2010.
- Accepted: Trees 6 ft. and under or cut into 6-foot lengths.
- NO flocking, tinsel, ornaments, 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.

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



Food Scrap Recycling

Oro Loma/Waste Management Earth Day 2010 Poster Contest

IT'S EASY BEING GREEN—Food Scrap Recycling

For 2010, students must show how easy and beneficial Oro Loma's food scrap recycling program is. The contest starts January 19, 2010 and ends March 19, 2010. It is free and open to all students in grades K-12 who attend schools within Oro Loma Sanitary District. Prizes are as follows: First Place \$700; Second Place \$500; Third Place \$300; Honorable Mention (2) \$150. Schools receive matching funds. In order to feature all the winning posters in the 2010-2011 calendars, all entries in the 2010 poster contest **must** be in a horizontal (landscape) orientation. **For more information, visit www.oroloma.org or call (510) 276-4700.**

Food waste is the largest single item in the waste stream going to landfills. When food scraps and food-soiled paper products are combined with yard waste, food scraps can be processed into rich compost material for gardening, landscaping and farming. Participation in the Food Scrap Recycling Program helps the community and the environment! Separating food scraps from garbage is as easy as 1-2-3. *Remember, you can still use your garbage disposal unit for soft foods.* **Call Waste Management at (510) 613-8710 with questions.**

Oro Loma residents send food scraps to compost instead of landfill!

1 COLLECT

Collect food scraps and food-soiled paper in your kitchen pail.



2 EMPTY

Empty food scraps pail into your green waste cart along with yard trimmings.



3 SET OUT

Place your green cart at the curb for weekly pickup.

