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Big Storm?
No Problem!

No Plastic Bags in Green Waste Cart

Oro Loma customers continue to show their concern for their community and the environment by segregating food scraps from their regular garbage and placing the scraps in their green waste carts. Unfortunately, some people are putting their food scraps in plastic bags before placing them in the green waste cart. When this happens, everything in the green waste cart—food scraps and green waste—must be considered garbage and sent to the landfill, thus wasting a valuable resource.

If dumping food scraps directly into your green waste cart feels too messy, you can collect them in empty cardboard milk or juice containers, cardboard takeout boxes, or cardboard ice cream cartons. All of these can go into your green waste cart together with the food scraps. If you like, you can also use paper bags or folded newspapers to collect your food scraps before placing them in your green waste cart. For more information on the Oro Loma Food Scrap Recycling Program, go to www.oraloma.org. And remember, *you still can use your kitchen garbage disposal unit for soft foods.*

1 COLLECT

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



No Plastic Bags!

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.



Earth Day 2010 Poster Contest Ends March 19!

If you hurry, there is still time to submit your poster in the Oro Loma/Waste Management Earth Day 2010 Poster Contest.



The contest is open to all students in grades K-12 who attend a school within Oro Loma Sanitary District that is serviced by Waste Management.

By illustrating how easy and important the food scrap recycling program is, you may win one of the following prizes: First Place, \$700; Second Place, \$500; Third Place, \$300; Honorable Mention (2), \$150. There are six grade groups, and all prizes will be awarded in all grade groups. Schools earn matching cash prizes, and all winners will be featured in the 2010-2011 15-month Oro Loma calendar.

For contest information, including a list of eligible schools and an entry form, and for information on the food scrap recycling program, visit www.oraloma.org.

Winners will be announced on the District's website on Earth Day, April 22. The exact placement of cash winners will be revealed at a festive awards ceremony to be held at the Marina Community Center in San Leandro, on May 25, 2010.