

# INSIDE ORO LOMA



## Help Protect the Bay

Oro Loma and Alameda County are partnering for a **free Household Hazardous Waste collection event** in San Lorenzo on Sunday, Sept. 10, 2017, 9:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

### Accepted Items:

- Electronics and small appliances
- Batteries
- Fluorescent bulbs
- Paints
- Pest and garden products
- All auto fluids
- Propane
- Cleaners
- Medicines
- Sharps (needles) in a sharps container
- Asbestos

### Items NOT Accepted at the Event:

- Treated wood and railroad ties

Call Altamont Landfill at (800) 963-4776.

- Radioactives
- Explosives
- Compressed gas cylinders (other than propane)

Call (800) 606-6606.

- Flares
- Fire extinguishers
- Smoke detectors

Accepted at HHW facilities.

- Large appliances
- See "Free Bulky Pickups" article inside.

- Construction and demolition debris
- Call (510) 613-8710.

### Advanced registration is required to participate.

Register at [Stopwaste.org/onedayevent](http://Stopwaste.org/onedayevent), or call (800) 606-6606 for location details and your appointment time.



### WASTEWATER SOLID WASTE & RECYCLING

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# 11 Continuous Years of Wastewater Treatment Compliance



At the June 6, 2017 Board meeting, the Oro Loma Sanitary Board recognized the District's Operations and Maintenance Departments for maintaining compliance with the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) discharge requirements for 11 continuous years. The NPDES protects public health and the environment by regulating the quality of water released into the waters of the United States. Oro Loma is proud of its commitment to public health and the environment. Thank you, Operations and Maintenance!

Oro Loma's Operations and Maintenance Departments

## TAKE A PLANT TOUR

2600 Grand Avenue, San Lorenzo



**Second Wednesday of February,  
May, August, November @ 9:30 a.m.**

**SIGN UP TODAY TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT!**  
**[OroLoma.org/tour](http://OroLoma.org/tour) or call (510) 276-4700**

**Get a first-hand look  
at how your water  
pollution control  
facility works.**



# Two Free Bulky Pickups per Year

**Oro Loma residential customers are entitled to 2 bulky pickups per calendar year at no additional cost.**

Pickups are arranged by appointment. Call Waste Management at (510) 613-8710 at least two weeks in advance to schedule your pickup.

## Included

- Large residential appliances
- Automobile tires
- Household furniture and mattresses
- Trimmings and wood
- Trash and small appliances:

## Not Allowed

- Any single item over 75 pounds
- Rocks, dirt, concrete, or construction debris
- Hazardous waste

For restrictions and setout information, visit [oroloma.org](http://oroloma.org).

Before throwing out useful items, consider donating them or holding a garage sale.



## Don't Forget

### Mandatory Commercial Recycling and Organics Collection is now in effect.

All commercial and multi-family customers in the District must have recycling and organics collection services in place. Enforcement by StopWaste begins July 1, 2017, and customers out of compliance may be fined. For help in setting up a recycling or organics program or to schedule a free solid waste assessment, contact the Waste Management Recycling Coordinator Beverly Perez at [bpc@wm.org](mailto:bpc@wm.org) or (510) 390-0371.



### Don't put hot coals in trash.

Enjoy the fine weather, but be sure coals from your barbecue are cold before putting them in the trash. Hot coals can damage your cart, or even worse, start a fire.



## Wastewater Collection Corner

"Disposable" and "flushable" wipes do not break down in water. They collect and clog household plumbing and sewer mains.

Sewer main overflows pose a serious threat to San Francisco Bay. Clogged plumbing in a home can cause problems that are difficult and expensive to clean up.

**Do not flush anything but toilet paper and human waste.**

Mounds of "disposable" wipes clog the sewer system.



Oro Loma Sanitary District  
2655 Grant Avenue  
San Lorenzo, CA 94580

## IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS TO KEEP HANDY

Oro Loma Sanitary District Office 24/7 Emergency Response (510) 276-4700

Waste Management (510) 613-8710

Alameda County Recycling Hotline (877) STOPWASTE

Alameda County Household Hazardous Waste (800) 606-6606

## What's New

### Sewer Service Charges

An increase to the Oro Loma Sanitary District Sewer Service Charges went into effect July 1, 2017. The 7.5% increase is part of a five-year plan approved by the Board on May 17, 2016. The sewer service charge for single-family residential customers became \$238/year (from \$221/year). The new rate remains the lowest in Alameda County.

### Solid Waste Rates

The District's agreement with Waste Management provides for annual solid waste rate adjustments for customers, based on a combination factor that includes cost of living and benefit adjustments tied to Waste Management's labor contracts. For 2017-2018, the contractual rate increase will be 3.54%. The rate for a San Lorenzo single-family residential customer with a 35-gal trash cart would become \$17.64/month (from \$17.04/month). The rates for residential recycling and green waste services remain unchanged at \$4.60/month. Based on a 2016 study, Oro Loma's solid waste rates are 37% lower than the average solid waste rates in Alameda County. The Board will consider adopting the new rates at its August 15, 2017 meeting, with an effective date of September 1, 2017.

## Need a Dumpster? Call WM

In addition to regular trash, recycling, and organics collection, Waste Management is the exclusive provider in Oro Loma of other solid waste collection services, including dumpsters. Customers may not use other providers.

Various sizes of dumpsters, as well as the smaller Bagster® Bag, are available from Waste Management. Order online or call (510) 613-8710.

