



COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ

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To: Santa Cruz County Agricultural and Non-Production Agriculture Operations
From: David Sanford, Agricultural Commissioner and Sealer
Subject: **Free Pesticide Disposal Event 2026**

The Santa Cruz County Department of Agriculture, in partnership with Monterey, San Benito and Santa Clara Counties, are planning a no-cost **Pesticide Disposal Event in 2026**. The event is for you to legally relinquish any unwanted pesticides, including banned and legacy pesticides, in your possession. We will receive these pesticides at no cost for agricultural producers, and non-production agriculture operations, such as golf courses, parks, and cemeteries, who are permitted with their respective counties. Your participation requires evaluating and pre-reporting all of your pesticides for disposal, as well as transportation of those pesticides to the event location.

No regulatory action will be pursued because of your participation.

This is an announcement of the preliminary survey to estimate the size, budget and scope of this event, please complete the survey with an estimated amount of material you would like to bring to the disposal event. A more detailed summary will be required from you when the event has been scheduled.

Please note:

- No container over 50 lb. or 5 gallons will be accepted.
- Pesticides containing dioxins or mercury will not be accepted
- Unknown white or black powders will not be accepted; they may be explosive

If you are interested in this event, please complete the pre-registration survey. See QR Code here. Or go to this website:

<https://survey123.arcgis.com/share/42c36677895841da847ecaa6b6ce630b>



Pre-registration for this event closes on **October 17, 2025**.

The disposal event dates will be scheduled when all contracts and funding have been finalized.

This is NOT an empty container collection event.

Please contact the Santa Cruz County Department of Agriculture for further information – (831)763-8080.