

**POCATELLO RECYCLES TODAY**



**FOR A BRIGHTER TOMORROW!**

# HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE AN ITEM WE THROW IN THE TRASH TO DECOMPOSE????

Paper: 2 to 5 months

Orange peels: 6 months

Milk Cartons: 5 years

Filter-tip cigarettes: 10 to 12 years

Plastic bags: 10 to 20 years

Plastic containers: 50 to 80 years

Plastic 6-pack holder rings: 450 years

Disposable diapers: 75 years

Tin cans: 100 years

Aluminum cans: 200 to 500 years

Styrofoam: Never

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## Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle

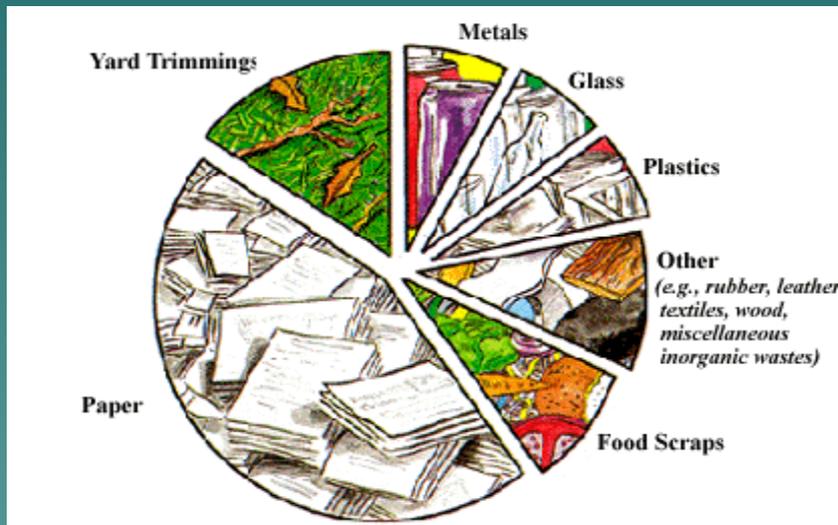
### Produce Less Waste by Practicing the 3 Rs:

**Reduce** the amount and toxicity of trash you discard.

**Reuse** containers and products; repair what is broken or give it to someone who can repair it.

**Recycle** as much as possible, which includes buying products with recycled content.

# WHAT IS IN OUR TRASH?



- ◆ Paper 32.7%
- ◆ Yard trimmings 12.8%
- ◆ Metals 8.2%
- ◆ Plastics 12.1%
- ◆ Food Scraps 12.5%
- ◆ Glass 5.3%
- ◆ Other 16.46%

# WHY SHOULD I RECYCLE?



## Recycling...

*Saves natural resources – the national recycling rate of 30% saves the equivalent of more than 5 million gallons of gasoline, reducing dependence on foreign oil by 114 million barrels.*

*Saves energy – paper recycling saves up to 70% of the energy needed to create paper from new timber. Aluminum recycling saves up to 95% of the energy required to make new aluminum from raw ore (equivalent to filling the can 2/3 full of gasoline).*

*Saves clean air and water – recycled paper uses 80% less water and produces 95% less air pollution than virgin paper production.*

*Saves landfill space – landfills last longer when recyclables are being diverted.*

*Saves money and creates jobs – recycling creates far more jobs than do landfills or incinerators.*

# HOW CAN I RECYCLE TODAY?



- ◆ Convenient curb-side collection
- ◆ 1 drop-off site for electronic waste-Sanitation Dept. at 1121 S. 2<sup>nd</sup> or the Bannock County landfill
- ◆ Compost facility operated by Bannock County at the landfill
- ◆ Household Hazardous Waste collection operated by Bannock County at the landfill
- ◆ Drop-off sites are located at Western Recycling, 3034 Garrett Way and Bannock County Landfill, 1500 N. Fort Hall Mine Road for your recycle items.

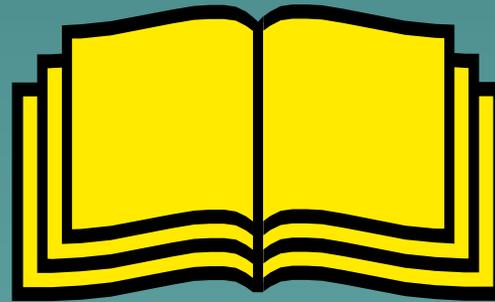
# WHAT ARE MY OPTIONS?



- ◆ Drop-off – residents take their recyclable items to Western Recycling, Pacific Recycling, or Bannock County Landfill and deposit them into the proper bins.
- ◆ Curb-side – residents are provided a blue 96-gallon autocart. The acceptable recyclable items are simply placed into the blue autocart; no sorting is required! The recyclables are collected every other week on the same day as trash collection.
- ◆ Curb-side pickup is now included in your service

# MIXED PAPER

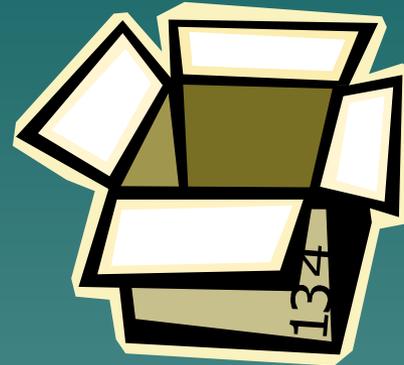
- ◆ Newspaper
- ◆ Magazines
- ◆ Catalogs
- ◆ Telephone books
- ◆ Office paper
- ◆ Junk mail



# CARDBOARD BOXES

- ◆ Corrugated cardboard
- ◆ Cereal boxes
- ◆ Laundry soap boxes
- ◆ Beverage boxes

Break-down and flatten boxes so they don't get stuck in your cart



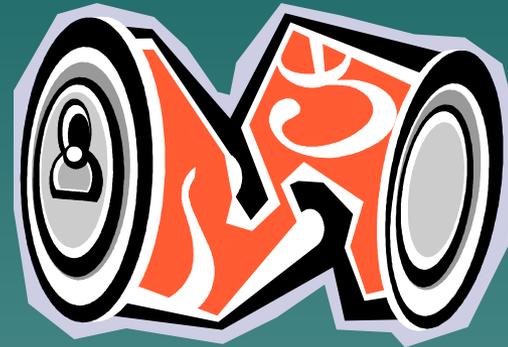
# PLASTIC BOTTLES

- ◆ All plastic bottles (1-7) **except** those that have contained paint, pesticides, herbicides or petroleum products



# METAL CANS

- ◆ Aluminum cans
- ◆ Aluminum foil
- ◆ Steel/tin cans



No aerosol or  
paint cans



# WHERE DOES IT GO?



The collection truck



Your home



Baled at local facility



Sorting



Shipped to Material Recovery Facility

# WHAT DOES OUR MARKET NOT ACCEPT?



- ◆ **Glass**
- ◆ **Styrofoam**
- ◆ Packing peanuts \*
- ◆ Yard waste \*
- ◆ Household Hazardous Waste \*
- ◆ Appliances \*
- ◆ Clothing \*
- ◆ Motor oil \*
- ◆ **Shredded paper**
- ◆ Juice boxes
- ◆ Milk cartons
- ◆ **Plastic bags, film or packaging**
- ◆ Diapers
- ◆ Toys
- ◆ Lawn furniture
- ◆ Carpeting
- ◆ Medical waste including syringes

IF IN DOUBT, THROW IT OUT!

\* see slide for alternatives

# ALTERNATE OPTIONS



- ◆ Yard waste can be composted at the Bannock County Landfill
- ◆ Appliances may be recycled at the landfill, fees may apply
- ◆ Household Hazardous is accepted April – October at the landfill
- ◆ Packing Peanuts can be recycled at either UPS Store locations or the Box Stop.
- ◆ Motor oil can be recycled at the Grease Monkey
- ◆ Clothing can be taken to Deseret Industries, Goodwill, Salvation Army, etc.

# HOW DO I SIGN-UP?

- ◆ You can call us at 234-6192
- ◆ Send an e-mail to [pocatellorecycles@pocatello.us](mailto:pocatellorecycles@pocatello.us)
- ◆ Visit us on the web at [www.pocatellorecycles.pocatello.us](http://www.pocatellorecycles.pocatello.us)



# HOW DO I PREPARE MY RECYCLABLES?



- ◆ We prefer, but don't require you to rinse out food containers
- ◆ Don't bag or sack anything
- ◆ Breakdown and flatten cardboard so it doesn't get stuck in your cart
- ◆ Have your cart out for collection by 7:00 am
- ◆ Leave 3' spacing between your carts
- ◆ Remove your carts from the curb after collection

# MORE INFORMATION?

- ◆ Collection Questions 234 – 6192
- ◆ Recycling Coordinator 234 – 6193
- ◆ E:mail [Pocatellorecycles@pocatello.us](mailto:Pocatellorecycles@pocatello.us)
- ◆ Website [www.pocatellorecycles.pocatello.us](http://www.pocatellorecycles.pocatello.us)



# WHICH DO YOU PREFER?



# THANKS POCATELLO FOR RECYCLING TODAY!

