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City encourages residents to recycle old tires

Rocky Mount, N.C.-Used tires provide a prime breeding ground for mosquitoes and an incubator for mosquito eggs. In an effort to decrease the mosquito population, the city of Rocky Mount encourages residents to recycle old tires.

“Everyone plays a part in making their neighborhoods cleaner, safer and healthier. Old tires left outside can be filled with water and leaf litter, making an inviting home for mosquitoes,” said Cornelia McGee, coordinator for Keep America Beautiful of Nash and Edgecombe Counties. “The city offers residents free and easy ways for recycling old tires.”

For those citizens who receive solid waste pick up from the city, a maximum of two tires may be placed beside their trash receptacle on their collection day.

Residents who live outside the city limits in Edgecombe County may dispose of up to five tires weekly at one of the nine county convenience center locations. Locations are: 1056 Spivey Road in Leggett, 442 Living Hope Church Road in Macclesfield, 349 Baie Road and 1542 Gay Road in Rocky Mount, 1242 Dickens Road in Speed, 46 Burnette Farm Road, 2797 Colonial Road and 1429 Hart’s Chapel Road in Tarboro and 335 Wells Road in Whitakers.

Nash County residents may recycle tires at the Nash County Landfill located at 3057 Duke Road in Nashville and the Nash County Convenience Center at 9842 Stony Hill Church Road in Middlesex.

“Keep America Beautiful of Nash & Edgecombe Counties encourages residents to do the right thing for the environment and for the Twin County community. Please dispose of old tires properly, helping reduce the number of mosquitoes at the same time,” said McGee.

To learn more about our local tire recycling programs, call the city of Rocky Mount Environmental Services Division at (252) 467-4800 option 7. To learn preventative measures to stop the spread of mosquitoes, call the city of Rocky Mount Vector Control (mosquito) supervisor at (252) 467-4957.

