





(with help from Margaret Shield and Mendy Droke)



Local Hazardous Waste Management Program in King County, Washington



A quick overview of toxic topics - my agenda this evening -

- Household Hazardous Waste in its many forms
- Emerging issues
- The need for toxic chemicals reform
- An idealistic future vision

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE SHED HOURS THURS. 8AM-8PM FRI-SAT-SUN 8AM-6PM





- Consumer products/residential source
- "Hazardous"
 - Ignitable
 - Corrosive
 - Reactive
 - Toxic (poisonous, causes illness, adverse effects)
 - Acute (immediate or single dose)
 - Chronic (delayed or multiple doses)
 - Carcinogens, mutagens, ...

- Typical listing of product types:
 - Cleaning products
 - Pesticides (indoor and lawn/garden)
 - Automotive products
 - Workshop/painting supplies
 - Miscellaneous
 - Unique or emerging

• Old Legacies

- Banned pesticides
- Leaded paints
- PCB ballasts
- Aerosols with CFCs
- Exotics

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Kills

VEEWORM, WIREWORMS

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(SPRA-O-CIDE) (50% DDT Wattable Sproy Powder) Thrips—Codling Moth Tent Caterpillars Flea Beetles—Leaf Hoppers Colorado Potato Peetle Peach Twig and Tree Borers Flies and Mosquitoes

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• "Core" Hazardous Materials

- The old legacies
- All pesticides
- Oil-based paints, varnishes, stains
- Organic-based solvents and cleaners
- Harsh chemicals (low or high pH)
- Pool/spa chemicals
- Reactive chemicals





- Additional Hazardous Materials (some HHW, some not)
 - Used motor oil and oil filters
 - Antifreeze
 - Automotive (lead-acid) batteries
 - Household single-use batteries
 - Household rechargeable batteries
 - Button cell batteries
 - Consumer electronics (computers, monitors, televisions, cell phones)
 - Old latex (water-based) paints
 - Fluorescent lamps
 - Other mercury-containing products
 - Propane gas cylinders
 - Aerosol cans

- Problem wastes
 - Asbestos
 - Leaded paint (on the wall)
 - Ammunition, fireworks, flares, explosives
 - Radioactive substances
 - Dioxin-containing wastes
 - Hobby chemicals
 - unknowns

- Unique or emerging issues
 - Pharmaceuticals
 - Personal care products
 - All electronic products (with power cord or battery)
 - Treated wood (CCA)
 - Flame-retardant-treated materials (PBDEs)
 - Fluorinated materials (e.g., Teflons, PFOA)
 - PVC plastics





Emerging Issues

- Endocrine disruptors ("EDCs"), also called Hormonally Active Agents ("HAAs")
 - For example, estrogenic chemicals
- Epigenetic effects
- Nano materials

– For example, nano silver antimicrobials

- Multiple chemical exposures
- Timing of exposures uniquely sensitive moments

Toxic Chemical Regulatory Reform

- Toxic Substances Control Act (1976)
 - The only major environmental law that has never been updated
- Two current bills in Congress
 - House "Chemicals in Commerce Act"
 - Senate "Chemical Safety Improvement Act"
 - Concerns about preemption of state and local laws
- Washington Toxic Policy Reform proposal 2013

Related Progressive Policies (Hope for the future)

• Green Chemistry

• Zero Waste / Materials Management

• Product stewardship/EPR

Remaking the Way We Make Things





