



NORTHERN RECYCLING AND WASTE SERVICES

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# NRWS News

876-3340

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## \$\$\$About the Rate Increase

Effective July 1st, you may have noticed an increase to the monthly collection rates. Please note that the Town of Paradise and our company do not implement increases without careful review. This increase reflects a .93% Cost of Living Adjustment; and it equates to a \$.17 to \$.29 per month increase for residential customers depending on type of service. If you have any questions about your bill please call 876-3340.

## RECYCLING & YARDWASTE ALTERNATING SCHEDULE

Recycling (Blue Cart) = Yardwaste (Brown Cart) =   
 HHW = Household Hazardous Waste Facility Open

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JULY 2010							AUGUST 2010								
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25	26	27	28	29	30	HHW	29	30	31						
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SEPTEMBER 2010							OCTOBER 2010								
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## FREE TIRE DROP OFF!

Limited to available funding



- By appointment only
- Limit of 9 tires per visit
- No tires over 36" accepted

**Call 876-3340 to set up  
an appointment**

## New Hours For HHW & Recycling Center !! Effective July 1st



Household Hazardous Waste Facility will be open rotating Wednesday's & Saturday's (see calendar) 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.



NRWS Recycling Center will be open Monday - Saturday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.



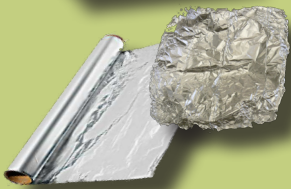
Use it up, wear it out, make it do, or do without.

## 5 Surprising Things You Can Recycle.



You already know newspapers, tin cans, and plastic bottles get picked up in your curbside recycling cart, but what about similar items? In most cases, it's easier to recycle these five unexpected items than you think.

- 1. Phone books.** Be sure to remove magnetic inserts or any other non-paper elements before you toss in the blue recycling cart. Has the Internet rendered the yellow pages obsolete in your home? You can choose not to have directories delivered in the first place or limit how many you receive.
- 2. Aluminum foil.** It's just as recyclable as aluminum cans. Make sure it's clean first. Many people wash foil off with soap and water and reuse it for storing food. Or try crumpling up old foil and throwing it in the clothes dryer to reduce static cling.
- 3. Aerosol cans.** You can include EMPTY aerosol cans with other metals. If it has any product in it do not toss it in your recycling cart. NRWS Household Hazardous Waste facility will accept partially filled cans.
- 4. Labels.** Labels aren't a problem on bottles and cans, because recycling facilities are already set up to handle them so no extra steps are needed. It's also okay to throw slightly dirty glass, plastic, and metal containers into your recycling cart. So don't let that lime wedge or last bit of peanut butter stop you from tossing a container into your recycling bin. However this is not true for paper products, soiled paper is not recyclable as the manufacturer is not set up for this. Soiled paper contaminates clean paper and causes the end product to have flaws and/ or be weak.
- 5. Metal/Plastic clothes hangers.** Are accepted in your curb side recycling cart as well as at NRWS Recycling Center where you can drop them off. Better yet, bring them back to your local dry cleaner so hangers can be reused.



## Recycling Facts:

Every time you recycle or do simple things like buying in bulk or bringing your own bags shopping you help reduce waste, save energy/ resources and prevent air and water pollution. All individual actions add up over time and have caused many problems, however, the same actions reared toward sustainability can cause just as many solutions.

### Plastic Facts:

- Americans use 2,500,000 plastic bottles every hour! More than 70% are thrown away.
- Since 1950, we have consumed as much as all the generations before us combined.
- Each year American throw away 25,000,000,000 Styrofoam cups, enough every year to circle the Earth 436 times.
- Every year we make enough plastic film to shrink-wrap Texas.
- Plastic bags and other plastic rubbish thrown into the ocean kill as many as 1,000,000 sea creatures every year.
- Oil which is a non-renewable resource is in all plastic items.
- The energy saved by recycling 1 bottle will power a computer for 25 minutes.
- To create just 1 lb. of consumer goods, manufacturers create 5 lbs. of waste.
- Plastics can take up to 400 years to break down in a landfill.

### Paper Facts:

- At least 38.9% of the U.S. waste stream is paper.
- Americans throw away 44 million newspapers everyday. That's the same as dumping 500,000 trees into landfills each week.
- If every household reused a paper grocery bag for one shopping trip, about 60,000 trees would be saved.
- Making one ton of recycled paper uses only about 60% of the energy needed to make a ton of virgin paper.
- Americans discard 4 million tons of office paper every year--enough to build a 12 foot-high wall of paper from New York to California.
- American's throw out about 85% of the office paper we use.
- Americans use 50 million tons of paper annually--which means we consume more than 850 million trees. That means the average American uses about 580 pounds of paper each year.
- Every ton of recycled office paper saves 380 gallons of oil.

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Rot & Buy Recycled = Sustainable future