



Dakota County Environmental Resources Department

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MEMORANDUM

Date: June – July 2023
Township/City: Castle Rock Township
Attn: Molly Weber, Clerk
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From: Nikki Stewart, Environmental Resources Director
Subject: Dakota County Environmental Resources Update

Recycling Event for Rural Residents

On Saturday, June 24 from 9 a.m.–noon, Dakota County is hosting a recycling event for rural residents at the county’s Maintenance Facility, 2800 160th St W, Rosemount. This event serves residents living in Dakota County’s 12 townships and the cities of Coates, Empire, Hampton, Miesville, New Trier, Randolph and Vermillion.

Rural residents can drop off confidential documents for onsite shredding and cardboard boxes for recycling. In addition, County staff is partnering with the Metropolitan Mosquito Control District to collect tires (limit of six tires per household, up to 30” in diameter, no rims). These items are free to drop off.



Residents can also drop off mattresses and box springs. Certified Recycling will collect them and disassemble the metal, wood, and cloth for recycling. Quality mattresses will be donated to Bridging for people pursuing housing stability. Certified Recycling charges \$30 for each mattress and box spring.

In early June, rural households will receive a postcard invitation and \$10-off coupon for each mattress or box spring brought to the event.

We encourage rural cities and townships to promote this recycling event on their website, newsletters, offices and public bulletin boards.

For more information contact John Exner, Environmental Specialist, at 952-891-7112, john.exner@co.dakota.mn.us

Free bacteria tests for private well owners impacted by flooding

Dakota County is offering free coliform bacteria testing for homeowners and businesses in the County whose private well water is impacted by flooding. Wells can be impacted by flooding due to rising rivers, streams, ponds, and lakes. Wells located in well pits and basement offsets can be impacted by heavy rainfall that may enter the basement or well pit. Owners of flooded wells should contact the Environmental Resources Department at 952-891-7000. Also, read flood precautions from [MN Department of Health website](#).