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Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Kerrie Romanow

SUBJECT: FATS, OILS, & GREASE

**DATE:** November 28, 2011

**COLLECTION EVENT** 

Approved

Date 11/29/11

## **INFORMATION**

On Saturday, December 3, 2011, the Environmental Services Department (ESD) is offering a free used cooking oil and grease drop-off event for residents of the San José/Santa Clara Water Pollution Control Plant service area. The event will be held from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the City of San José Central Service Yard. Please see the attached flyer for location details.

Improper disposal of fats, oils, and grease (FOG) can accumulate over time and lead to clogged pipes and sewer lines, causing back-ups into homes and spills into creeks that can reach the San Francisco Bay (Bay). The purpose of this event is to remind residents that cooking oil and grease should not be disposed of down the kitchen sink or any other drain, and provide a convenient disposal alternative. The grease collected at this event will be recycled.

ESD will provide information to event participants highlighting other simple actions that individuals can take to prevent pollution and protect the Bay. San José residents will receive a reusable bag along with information about the upcoming single-use carry out bag ordinance that will take effect on January 1, 2012. For ongoing grease drop-off locations, residents will be encouraged to visit <a href="https://www.baywise.org">www.baywise.org</a>.

/s/
KERRIE ROMANOW
Acting Director, Environmental Services

Attachment - Flyer

For questions, please contact Sharon Newton, Program Manager, at (408) 793-5351.

## What to do with oil and grease from your holiday feast?

Drop-off your used cooking oil and grease

Saturday, December 3

10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

City of San José Central Service Yard

1661 Senter Road San José, CA 95112

Free ticket to

Downtown Ice when you go bring your used cooking oil or grease to this event!\*

\* While supplies last.



Avoid sewage back-ups in your home and an expensive visit by the plumber by properly disposing of fats, oil, and grease.

Receive a free reusable bag or grease scraper when you bring your used cooking oil and grease!

For more information, visit **www.baywise.org** or call **(408) 945-3000**.



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## ¿Que hacer con su manteca y aceite de su día festivo?

Deshágase de su manteca y aceite usado de cocinar sábado, 3 de deciembre

10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Ciudad de San José Central Service Yard

1661 Senter Road San José, CA 95112

Traiga su manteca y aceite usado de cocinar y reciba un boleto gratis a Downtown Ice!\*

\* Oferta válida hasta agotarse la existencia.



Coléctelo en un envase irrompible con la tapa sellada y tráigalo a este evento de colección.

Evite retrasos de aguas negras en su casa y una visita costosa por el plomero al deshacerse de aceite y manteca apropiadamente.

Reciba una bolsa reutilizable o un rascador de grasa gratuitamente cuando traiga su manteca y aceite usado de cocinar.

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