

Texoma Council of Governments
Household Hazardous Waste Collection Events

SEP No. 2012-08

Project Description

Third-Party Administrator shall hold household hazardous waste (“HHW”) collection events in three regional locations to offer citizens the opportunity to recycle and/or dispose of hazardous material including paint, tires, poisons, antifreeze, used electronics, and other items that are difficult to dispose of in order to deter illegal dumping of these materials. The locations will be in the county seats of Cooke, Grayson, and Fannin Counties so that all citizens in the region have an opportunity to properly dispose of HHW and do not have to drive a disproportionate distance to take advantage of the service.

Third-Party Administrator shall use SEP Funds to hire a licensed contractor to set up operations at the three locations. Materials that are received for recycling or disposal will be removed by the contractor and transported to a licensed facility for recycling, incineration, treatment, or blending. SEP Funds will be used to pay for proper disposal of all waste collected at the events, but SEP Funds will not be used to pay fees at landfills located in Cooke, Grayson, or Fannin Counties. Volunteers, who will receive safety training, shall handle traffic flow into and out of each facility. The licensed contractor will process and handle all material dropped off at the events. Each location is expected to receive approximately 60-65 tons of materials per event.

Third-Party Administrator shall ensure that collection events are administered and performed in accordance with TCEQ guidance on HHW and in compliance with federal, state, and local environmental laws and regulations. Third-Party Administrator shall ensure that individuals qualified to make determinations regarding receiving, handling, and temporarily storing HHW are present at each event. Third-Party Administrator shall use only licensed haulers and authorized disposal sites.

At least 45 days before each collection event, Third-Party Administrator shall submit, in accordance with Chapter 335, Texas Administrative Code, a completed Form TCEQ-20459 Notification for a Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event (attached as Exhibit 3), as may be amended.

Environmental Benefit

Illegal dumping is a significant environmental concern. HHW collection events take a major burden off of local governments and provide a means for citizens to easily recycle and dispose of hazardous items. The majority of the region of Cooke, Fannin, and Grayson Counties is rural. HHW collection services are not available to many of the region’s rural citizens, leading people to collect hazardous materials on their properties or improperly dispose of them. These events will reduce the amount of illegal dumping in the area, which reduces pollutants on land and in water. Additionally, in areas where adequate disposal facilities are not available, hazardous materials often end up in creeks or ditches along roadsides, which impacts water quality and wildlife.

Eligible Areas and Counties

This project may receive contributions from the following:

Anderson, Archer, Armstrong, Baylor, Bowie, Briscoe, Carson, Cass, Castro, Chambers, Childress, Clay, Collin, Collingsworth, Cooke, Cottel, Crosby, Dallas, Deaf Smith, Delta, Denton, Dickens, Donley, Ellis, Fannin, Floyd, Foard, Franklin, Freestone, Gray, Grayson, Grimes, Hale, Hall, Hardeman, Hardin, Hemphill, Henderson, Hill, Hood, Hopkins, Houston, Hunt, Jack, Johnson, Kaufman, King, Knox, Lamar, Leon, Liberty, Limestone, Madison, Montague, Morris, Motley, Navarro, Parker, Parmer, Polk, Randall, Red River, Roberts, San Jacinto, Swisher, Tarrant, Titus, Trinity, Walker, Wheeler, Wichita, Wilbarger, Wise, Young, and Van Zandt Counties

Minimum Contribution Amount

\$500

Total Project Budget

\$134,298