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Don't Miss Your Collection Day

New collection schedules delivered—changes to collection days will affect some residents

Pembroke, ON: This week residents of Petawawa, Pembroke and Laurentian Valley received their 2008/2009 Curbside Collection Schedule delivered by Canada Post. Every March, the Ottawa Valley Waste Recovery Centre distributes the collection schedules which show what material is collected, information on what can be recycled or composted, and the requirements for special collections such as Leaf and Yard Waste and Bulky Item.

“The Collection Schedule is the most important tool the Centre distributes as part of our Public Education Program.” States Elizabeth Graham, Communications Supervisor at the Centre. **“Residents are asked to post this schedule in a convenient place and refer to it regularly.”**

One change residents will notice on their new schedule is the addition of a detailed map showing their Municipality. The maps are shaded to show the various collection days. Because there are changes to some collection days residents need to refer to the map to determine what day material will be collected in their area.

“Petawawa, Pembroke and Laurentian Valley will be starting new collection contracts on April 1st.” States Steve Bennett, Chair of the Ottawa Valley Waste Management Board. **“To make collection scheduling more efficient some collection days have changed. To ensure they are setting their material out on the proper day, residents need to check the maps on their new collection schedules.”**

The collection schedules are not only to reference collection days but the back of the schedule is filled with valuable information. It identifies any changes to the curbside waste management programs and has a detailed list of what can be recycled and composted. Residents should review the information carefully to ensure they are following all the requirements of the program.

“Because residents are setting out more and more recyclables all the time our diversion rates are among the highest in Ontario.” Comments Sue Campbell, General Manager of the Centre. **“To ensure the continued success of the program we encourage residents to review the information on the collection schedule. You never know, you may see something you didn't know you could recycle!”**

If residents have not received their collection schedule they can download one at www.ovwrc.com or phone 613-735-7537. For more information, please contact Sue Campbell, General Manager, 613-735-7537, ext. 214 or at 613-401-3998.