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City Announces Ways to Dispose of Used Cooking Oil

Portsmouth, VA – The City of Portsmouth announces two locations where residents may dispose of used cooking oil like that used to deep fry turkeys.

Residents who would like to dispose of the used oil should take it to the SPSA Waste-to-Energy facility, located at 4 Victory Boulevard, on Saturday, November 28th from 9 a.m. until 12 p.m. This facility is open to receive household hazardous materials and waste from Portsmouth residents on the last Saturday and the second Wednesday of each month.

In addition, residents may take the used oil to the SPSA Regional Landfill in Suffolk, located off of Route 58 at 1 Bob Foeller Drive, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m., and on Saturdays from 8 a.m. until 12 p.m. The SPSA Landfill will be closed on Thursday, November 26th, Thanksgiving Day.

In an effort to encourage the proper disposal of used cooking oil, residents may freeze it in a container with a tight lid and then discard it with regular trash that is collected by the Waste Management Division. Remember: oil and grease that is poured down the plumbing system can congeal and block pipes, causing sewer back-ups and additional environmental hazards.

For more information, visit www.FatFreeDrains.com, a website developed by the Hampton Roads Fats, Oils, and Grease (HR FOG) education committee of the Hampton Roads Planning District Commission (HRPDC). HR FOG is a group of representatives from Hampton Roads local governments and the Hampton Roads Sanitation District (HRSD) who work together to reduce sanitary sewer overflows through increased awareness of the proper disposal of fats, oils, and grease.

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