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ADEQ Announces Free Electronics Waste Recycling Event for Bullhead City Area Residents on March 5

PHOENIX (Feb. 22, 2011) – Arizona Department of Environmental Quality officials announced today that a free electronics waste recycling event for residents of Bullhead City and the surrounding area will be held on Saturday, March 5 from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m. at the public works yard, 1285 Alona's Way.

ADEQ and its partners -- the City of Bullhead City, Mohave Community College Computer Club and Westech Recyclers of Phoenix -- anticipate collecting tons of unwanted televisions, computer equipment, monitors, batteries, chargers, cell phones, VCRs, CD and DVD players, printers, small appliances, fax machines, stereos, cables and cords at the event.

“We are excited about having our first free electronics waste collection event in the Bullhead City area and welcome everyone living in the area to attend,” said ADEQ Acting Director Henry Darwin. “This is a great opportunity for people to dispose of all the unwanted electronics they have collected over the years while at the same time ensuring that this potentially toxic stream of waste is disposed of responsibly and does not take up valuable landfill space.”

Bullhead City Manager Toby Cotter also said he is eagerly anticipating the event.

“Bullhead City is grateful for the opportunity from ADEQ to host this “green” event with the agency and our other partners,” Cotter said. “We have needed an event of this large-scale scope for quite some time and allow residents of our area to help protect the environment by recycling their old or unwanted electronic items.”

Companies and individuals donating e-waste will receive a certificate of disposal for their records from Westech Recyclers if they want the document. Westech Recyclers will erase all hard drives with state of the art software and the company recycles all materials in accordance with state and federal regulations.

ADEQ has sponsored 31 events since August 2009 throughout the state and collected more than 750,000 pounds from nearly 6,000 vehicles attending the events.

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