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ADEQ Announces Free Electronics Waste Recycling Event for Bullhead City Area Residents on Nov. 12

PHOENIX (Oct. 26, 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, Nov. 12 from 8 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the public works yard, 1285 Alona’s Way.

ADEQ and its partners -- the City of Bullhead City, Mohave Community College and the college’s computer club, Mohave Shred 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.

In addition, paper shredding will be provided at the event for \$3 for each box or bag.

“We are excited about having our second free electronics waste collection event in Bullhead City and also being able to offer paper shredding this time,” ADEQ Director Henry Darwin said. “This is a great opportunity for people to dispose of all the unwanted electronics they have collected 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 expect the scope of this to be even larger than our event last spring 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 46 events since August 2009 throughout the state and collected 1,229,161 pounds of e-waste from more than 8,000 vehicles attending the events.