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ADEQ Announces Free Electronics Waste Recycling Events for Residents of Willcox, Morenci, Clifton, Duncan on Jan. 21

PHOENIX – (Jan. 10, 2012) – Arizona Department of Environmental Quality officials announced today that free electronics waste recycling events for Southeast Arizona residents of Willcox in Cochise County and Morenci/Clifton and Duncan in Greenlee County will be held on Saturday, Jan. 21. The Willcox and Duncan events will be held from 9 a.m. until noon and Clifton/Morenci from 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

The Willcox event, sponsored by ADEQ, City of Willcox and Westech Recyclers of Phoenix, will be held at the Willcox Community Center, 312 W. Stewart Street. For more information, call (520) 384-6447.

The Morenci/Clifton event, sponsored by ADEQ, Gila Watershed Partnership of Arizona, Town of Clifton, Greenlee County, Bashas' and Westech Recyclers will be held at Morenci Plaza parking lot, 172 Morenci Plaza. For more information, call (928) 865-4147.

The Duncan event, sponsored by ADEQ, Town of Duncan and Westech Recyclers, will be held at Duncan Centennial Park, 207 SE Old West Highway. For more information, call (928) 359-2791.

ADEQ and its partners 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 two events.

“We are excited about sponsoring these free electronics waste collection events in Southeast Arizona again and welcome everyone living in those areas to attend,” said ADEQ 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.”

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.

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ADEQ has sponsored 49 events since August 2009 throughout the state and collected nearly 1.3 million pounds of discarded electronics equipment.

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