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ADEQ Announces Free Electronics Waste Recycling Event for Cave Creek, Carefree April 20 in Carefree Town Center

PHOENIX (DATE) – Arizona Department of Environmental Quality officials announced today that a free electronics waste recycling and paper shredding event will be held Saturday, April 20 from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. in Carefree Town Center, near the intersection of Tom Darlington and Cave Creek roads.

ADEQ and its partners – Green Cave Creek, Town of Carefree, Town of Cave Creek, Shred-It and Westech Recyclers -- anticipate collecting tons of unwanted televisions, computer equipment, monitors, chargers, cell phones, VCRs, CD and DVD players, printers, small appliances, fax machines, stereos, cables and cords during the event for recycling and thousands of pounds of paper documents for shredding.

ADEQ Director Henry Darwin said, “This is a great opportunity for people to dispose of boxes of documents they have collected over time. It’s also a convenient way to dispose of their unwanted electronics 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.”

The events are being held in conjunction with Earth Day celebrations in the two towns. Other events include xeriscape, electric car and solar use demonstrations and a number of “green” activities for children.

If requested, companies and individuals donating e-waste will receive a certificate of disposal for their records from Westech Recyclers. Westech Recyclers recycles all material in accordance with state and federal regulations.

ADEQ has partnered with communities in 83 events that resulted in more than two million pounds of discarded electronics being collected since beginning its Free E-Waste Recycling Program in August 2009.