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## **ADEQ Announces Free Electronics Waste Recycling Event for City of Nogales, Santa Cruz County, and Surrounding Areas on April 18**

PHOENIX (April 10, 2015) – Arizona Department of Environmental Quality and City of Nogales officials announced today that they will have a free electronics waste recycling event for residents of Nogales and the surrounding area on Saturday, April 18 from 8 a.m. until noon at the Safeway parking lot located at 465 West Mariposa Road, Nogales.

ADEQ and its partners – City of Nogales, Santa Cruz County School District, Rotary Club of Nogales, Wholesumharvest, Fresh Produce Association, Morley Avenue Merchants Association, Nogales Unified School District, Mariposa Clinic, Safeway Shopping Center, Nogales International Newspaper, Town of Patagonia, Customs and Border Patrol, INNOVA Contracting, Cochise College, Delta Properties Gorman and Co., Tofel Construction, Nogales Community Development and eGreen-IT Solutions – 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 during the event.

For more information about the event, call Lee Jacobs of the City of Nogales at (520) 285-5733 or (520) 604-0005.

“The City of Nogales and surrounding areas have shown a lot of enthusiasm for this event,” City of Nogales Utilities Director Lee Jacobs said.

ADEQ Director Henry Darwin said, “This is a great opportunity for people in the area 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.”

“The City of Nogales is happy to be partnering with ADEQ and our other co-sponsors for this green event recycling old or unwanted electronic items,” said Javier Solis, City of Nogales Environmental Services Supervisor. He added, “We expect a successful event.”

The recyclable material will be collected at the Safeway Shopping Center, in the north part of the parking lot. eGreen-IT Solutions will erase all hard drives with state of the art software and recycle all materials in accordance with state and federal regulations. eGreen-IT Solutions will provide individuals donating e-waste a certificate of disposal for their records if requested.

ADEQ has partnered with communities in more than 100 events statewide since beginning its e-waste recycling program in August 2009. To date, more than 20,000 vehicles have attended these events resulting in the collection of more than 2.6 million pounds of discarded electronics. For more information, call (602) 771-5613.

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