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## **ADEQ Director Owens Announces \$30,000 Grant to Collect Household Hazardous Waste in Prescott**

PHOENIX (July 21, 2008) – Arizona Department of Environmental Quality Director Steve Owens announced today that ADEQ is awarding a \$30,000 grant to reduce hazardous household waste (HHW) in the City of Prescott in Yavapai County.

The ADEQ grant will fund a one-day event, on Oct. 12, to collect HHW, which includes certain paints, cleaners, stains and varnishes, car batteries, motor oil and pesticides.

“This event will prevent contamination from common household hazardous wastes by giving residents the opportunity to dispose of these wastes in a convenient, proper and lawful manner,” Owens said. “We are delighted to work with the City of Prescott on this important program and support the city’s efforts to ensure proper disposal of these materials.”

The grant will cover labor by City personnel, advertising, transportation, coordination with law enforcement and fire authorities, rent for a fork-lift, and traffic control.

The City will begin to publicize the event in August. The City conducted a successful HHW event in 2006 and expects more citizens to participate this year.

The central Yavapai County region currently has no permanent disposal site for HHW.