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ADEQ Announces Free Regional La Paz County Electronics Waste Recycling Event for Saturday, March 10 in Parker

PHOENIX (March 1, 2012) – Arizona Department of Environmental Quality officials announced today that a free regional La Paz County electronics waste recycling event will be held Saturday, March 10 from 8:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. in Parker at the old Dayton Superior building across from La Paz Regional Hospital in the 1200 block of West Mohave Road.

ADEQ and its partners – Colorado River Indian Tribes Environmental Protection Office, Town of Parker, La Paz County, University of Arizona Extension Office and E-Waste Harvesters 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 during the event.

“This is the first event we have done in La Paz County and we welcome all residents of Parker, Quartzsite, Bouse and the surrounding 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 E-Waste Harvesters if they want the document. E-Waste Harvesters will erase all hard drives with state of the art software and recycles all materials in accordance with state and federal regulations.

ADEQ has sponsored 52 e-recycling events throughout the state since August 2009 and collected more than 1.3 million pounds of recyclable material from more than 10,000 vehicles attending.

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