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ADEQ Staff to Participate in Host of “Green” Activities in Arizona Surrounding Earth Day 2012 on April 22

PHOENIX (April 2, 2012) – Arizona Department of Environmental Quality staff will participate in a host of “green” activities during April leading up to Earth Day on the 22nd including water monitoring events for students, school environmental presentations, free electronic waste recycling events and providing manpower for environmental fair booths throughout the state.

“It’s always important, but especially in April, for ADEQ to be involved in outreach for environmental stewardship and sustainability,” said ADEQ Director Henry Darwin. “Earth Day reminds us all to do what we can to reduce our footprint on the earth.”

ADEQ staff will participate in educational activities at these April Earth Month events in Cochise, Coconino, Gila, Graham, Maricopa, Navajo, Pima and Pinal counties:

- April 3, 10 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.: Two environmental presentations, one to K-fourth grade and the other fifth- to eighth-grade students at Wildflower School in Goodyear.
- April 4, 8 a.m.- 3 p.m.: Air quality and environmental health presentations to 325 chemistry and physics students at Mountain Pointe High School in Phoenix.
- April 7, 8 a.m. – 1 p.m.: free electronic waste recycling event, five Phoenix-area Whole Foods Markets.
- April 7, 8 a.m. – 1 p.m.: free electronic waste recycling event, two Tucson Whole Foods Markets.
- April 12, 1 p.m. – 3 p.m.: water pollution presentation to 60 fourth-grade students at Madison Rose Lane Elementary School in Phoenix.
- April 13, 12:30 p.m. – 3 p.m.: water pollution presentation to 120 fourth-grade students at Madison Rose Lane Elementary School in Phoenix.
- April 14, 8 a.m. – noon: free electronic waste recycling event, 1115 N. Brown Ave., Casa Grande.
- April 14, 8 a.m. – noon: free electronic waste recycling event, 500 W. Fourth Street across from Safeway Plaza, Benson.
- April 18, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.: ADEQ booth at Pima Community College Northwest Campus Earth Day event in Tucson.
- April 20-24: Assistance for Winslow High School Grand Canyon Club water quality monitoring on Colorado River in Grand Canyon.
- April 20, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.: ADEQ booth for Earth Day Fair at Mountain Pointe High School in Phoenix.

- April 21, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.: ADEQ booth at Tucson Earth Day Festival with activities for children at Reid Park.
- April 21, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.: ADEQ booth at Flagstaff Earth Day Community Celebration, Flagstaff City Hall lawn.
- April 21, 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.: ADEQ booth at Keep Phoenix Beautiful Earth Day Phoenix 2012 event, Cesar Chavez Plaza.
- April 21, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.: ADEQ booth at Earth Day Party for the Planet, Phoenix Zoo, Phoenix.
- April 25: ADEQ booth at White Mountain Apache Tribe's Earth Week Environmental Education Fair in Whiteriver.
- April 26, 7:30 a.m.- 2 p.m.: Earth Day water monitoring event for 130 Thatcher and Pima fifth-grade students at Discovery Park pond in Safford.
- April 28, 8 a.m. – 1 p.m.: free electronic waste recycling event, Multi-Event Center, 1400 S. Beeline Highway, Payson.
- April 28, 8 a.m. – noon: free electronic waste recycling event, Williams Rodeo Barn at Airport Road and Rodeo Road, Williams.

Other Earth Day and Earth Month events throughout Arizona in April:

Cochise County

April 23, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.: Seventh Annual Earth Day celebration, Sierra Vista Farmers Market, northwest corner of Carmichael and Wilcox streets, Sierra Vista.

April 30, 8 a.m. – 2 p.m.: Bisbee's Earth Day Festival, Vista Park, Warren.

Coconino County

April 21, 11:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.: City of Flagstaff Community Celebration, South Lawn of City Hall, Flagstaff.

April 21, 7 a.m.-2 p.m.: Page Attacks Trash community cleanup.

April 22, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.: Earth Day celebration, South Rim Visitor Center, Grand Canyon.

Gila County

April 21, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.: "Birthday for Earth" event for K-8 students of Tonto Apache Nation at tribe's gymnasium in Payson.

May 1, 10 a.m.: Student essay, poster contest at Gila County Courthouse in Globe.

La Paz County

April 20, 11:30 a.m.-5 p.m.: Colorado River Indian Tribe Environmental Protection Office Earth Day event, Second Avenue and Mohave Road, Parker.

Maricopa County

April 3, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.: Earth Day festival, Arizona State University West Campus, Fletcher Lawn,

April 18, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.: Earth Day event at Arizona Army National Guard Armory, 1335 N. 52nd Street, Phoenix.

April 20, 4 p.m.-7 p.m.: Earth Day celebration, Veterans Oasis Park, Chandler.

April 21, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.: Great Solar Cookout Community Picnic, Daley Park, 1625 S. College Ave., Tempe.

April 21, 8 a.m.-2 p.m.: Earth Day Celebration, Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community, Courtyard at Two Waters Complex.

April 21: Trash pickup event on Scottsdale roadways as part of "Keep Scottsdale Beautiful 2012," Scottsdale.

April 22, 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m.: Earth Day Picnic for the Planet, Hassayampa River Preserve, 49614 Highway 60, Milepost 114, Wickenburg.

April, 24, all day: Earth Day festivities at Mesa Community College, Southern and Dobson, Mesa.

Navajo County

April 19-22: Second Annual Sustainable Earth Festival, Navajo Nation community of Naataanii.

Pima County

April 7, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.: GreenFest at Tucson Village Farms, Campbell Avenue south of River Road, Tucson.

April 16, all day: Earth Day event, Baboquivari High School, Sells.

April 20, 4 p.m. – 8 p.m.: University of Arizona Earth Day 2012, Main Gate Square on University Boulevard, Tucson.

April 21, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.: Biosphere 2 Earth Day 2012, 32540 S. Biosphere Road, Oracle.

Santa Cruz County

April 21, all day: Third Annual Patagonia Trails and Earth Day, central Patagonia park, Patagonia.

Yavapai County

April 14, 8 a.m.-noon: Cottonwood Citywide Spring Cleanup, starts at 1380 E. Mingus Ave., Cottonwood.

April 14, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.: Verde Village Spring Cleanup, 4855 E. Broken Saddle Drive, Verde Village.

April 14, 8 a.m.-noon: Verde Valley Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event, 4000 Cherry Creek Road, Verde Valley Roads Department.

April 21, 9 a.m.-11 a.m.: Annual Granite Creek cleanup, Granite Creek Park, Prescott.

April 21, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.: Earth Day Celebration, Prescott Courthouse Plaza, Prescott.

April 21, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.: Second Annual Earth Day Event, Black Canyon Heritage Park, 33955 S. Old Black Canyon Highway, Black Canyon City.

April 22, 4 p.m.: Earth fair and screening of the movie *Avatar*, Sedona Performing Arts Center, Upper Red Rock Loop, Sedona.

Yuma County

April 12, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.: Fifth annual Arizona Western College sustainability fair, main campus, 2020 S. Avenue 8E, Yuma.

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