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## 7th Annual Free Electronic Waste Recycling Event ADEQ and Partners to Recycle Household Electronics at No Charge to Area Residents

PHOENIX (August 19, 2015) – Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ), Navajo County and City of Show Low officials will host the 7th annual free electronic waste (e-waste) recycling event for White Mountains region residents Saturday, August 29 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Navajo County Penrod Facility, 251 N. Penrod Rd., Show Low – east side, just south of the intersection of U.S. Highway 60 and Arizona Highway 77.

ADEQ and partners – City of Show Low, Navajo County, Town of Pinetop-Lakeside, White Mountain Apache Tribe Environmental Protection Office, Northland Pioneer College, and E-Waste Harvesters of Phoenix – anticipate collecting tons of e-waste including unwanted televisions, computer equipment, monitors, batteries, chargers, cell phones, VCRs, CD and DVD players, printers, small appliances, fax machines, stereos, cables, and cords. Limit two televisions or computer monitors per vehicle.

"We're pleased to collaborate with ADEQ and our other partners again this year to bring the annual e-waste collection event to the White Mountains," said Steve North, business development coordinator for the City of Show Low. "This event continues to grow in popularity and we look to this 7th annual installment to be the biggest and best yet."

Officials encourage all White Mountains area residents and businesses to bring their electronic recyclables to the event, including residents of the nearby White Mountain Apache Tribe, Show Low, Pinetop-Lakeside, Snowflake, Taylor, St. Johns, Springerville, Eagar, Concho, Vernon, Alpine, Nutrioso, Greer, Shumway, Heber-Overgaard, Pinedale, Clay Springs and Linden.

"We are very excited about ADEQ's 7th annual e-waste recycling event," said ADEQ Recycling Coordinator J.B. Shaw. "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."

E-Waste Harvesters will erase all hard drives with state of the art software, recycle all materials in accordance with state and federal regulations and provides individuals donating e-waste a certificate of disposal upon request.

ADEQ has partnered with communities in more than 100 events statewide since establishing its e-waste recycling program in August 2009. To date, more than 2.6 million pounds of discarded electronics have been collected and properly disposed.

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#### About ADEQ

Established by the Arizona Legislature under the Environmental Quality Act of 1986, the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality is the state's regulatory agency for protecting and enhancing public health and the environment of Arizona.

# FREE E-WASTE

Recycling Event

#### Items accepted:

- Computers / Laptops / Servers
- Mouse / Keyboard / Cable(s) / Cord(s)
- Televisions / Monitors (No more than 2 per vehicle)
- DVD Players / VHS Players
- Cassette Players
- Video Game Consoles / Accessories
- Speakers / Stereo Equipment
- Phones / Cell Phones / Answering Machines
- Any Wire or Cabling
- Printed Circuit Boards
- Microwave Ovens / Toasters
- Printers / Fax Machines
- Rechargeable and Alkaline Batteries (non vehicle)
- Chargers

\*We shred all hard drives so no one can access your personal information

Saturday, August 29 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Navajo County Penrod Facility 251 N. Penrod Rd., Show Low, Arizona















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