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## **New Landfill Program Assists Farmers and the Environment**

**(Woodland, CA)** – The Yolo County Department of Planning & Public Works Integrated Waste Management Division is partnering with Encore Farming Solutions to provide Yolo County growers an environmentally and economically sustainable way to recycle plastic agricultural waste.

“As landfill fees are expensive at \$45.00 per ton, we have partnered with Encore Farming Solutions to help our local growers avoid this cost,” said Yolo County Planning & Public Works Director John Bencomo.

Through this partnership, the Yolo County Central Landfill can now accept agriculture irrigation drip tape, almond film plastic, black mulch film plastic, HDPE plastic grape cover, greenhouse film plastic, and strawberry fumigation tarp at no cost to the grower. Encore Farming Solutions will recycle these materials into reusable plastic bags, thus avoiding disposal in the landfill and the associated disposal costs.

“Not only will this program save landfill space, it is also expected to save Yolo County growers \$45,000 per year for every 1,000 acres farmed,” said Yolo County Board of Supervisors Chair Duane Chamberlain.

Plastic agricultural waste must be bound or tied into rolls or bales to be accepted for free under this program. For more information, contact Yolo County Recycling Coordinator Pamela Hedrick at (530) 666-8856 or [phedrick@yolocounty.org](mailto:phedrick@yolocounty.org).

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