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Yolo County and Sacramento Regional Conservation Corps Clean Tule Canal

(Woodland, CA) – In a joint effort to preserve the natural beauty of the region and protect the environment, the Yolo County Department of Community Services' Integrated Waste Management Division teamed up with the Sacramento Regional Conservation Corps (SRCC) this February. Together, they undertook a multi-day cleanup effort to restore the Tule Canal area, located east of Woodland along County Road 22, from litter and illegal waste dumping.

The cleanup effort yielded impressive results, with more than 3,900 pounds of waste collected. Among the waste were 29 tires, 4 televisions, a mattress, and 165 pounds of hazardous materials, including paint, fluorescent bulbs, and motor oil.

This collaborative effort underscores Yolo County's commitment to environmental stewardship and highlights the importance of responsible waste management practices for residents. Yolo County encourages residents to utilize the opportunity for hazardous waste disposal, available every Thursday, Friday, and Saturday at the Yolo County Central Landfill (YCCL), situated at 44090 County Road 28H in Woodland. Additionally, YCCL offers free disposal services for mattresses and televisions to all California residents and businesses daily.

Despite the concerning prevalence of illegal dumping, Yolo County remains dedicated to addressing the issue. To promote proper waste disposal, Yolo County will host a free tire amnesty day at the Esparto Transfer Station on March 13, 2024, from 9:30 am to 2:00 pm. This initiative aims to encourage all Yolo County residents and growers to dispose of auto, truck, and tractor tires less than 60 inches in diameter appropriately. For inquiries about tire amnesty, individuals can contact Yolo County's Recycling Coordinator at (530) 666-8856.

Supervisor Mary Vixie Sandy emphasized the multifaceted repercussions of illegal dumping in Yolo County, stating, "Illegal dumping is not only unsightly and casts a perception that people do not care enough about their community to properly dispose of waste. It also can be harmful to our wildlife and their ecosystems when hazardous waste gets washed into our waterways after a big storm. I am very proud of our team at the landfill for taking the initiative to clean up this area."

In a proactive measure to deter future illegal dumping, YCCL is pursuing funds under CalRecycle's Farm and Ranch grant to deploy surveillance cameras along County Road 22. These cameras will monitor the fishing access area along Tule Canal and deter further illegal dumping in the Elkhorn vicinity. YCCL will collaborate with the Yolo County District Attorney's office to identify and prosecute offenders as necessary.

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"As we work tirelessly to protect and preserve the natural beauty of our region, it's imperative that we address the issue of illegal dumping head-on," said Supervisor Angel Barajas. "Together with the Sacramento Regional Conservation Corps, we've shown what can be achieved through collaborative efforts. Let's continue to champion responsible waste management practices and safeguard our environment for future generations."

For more information regarding the Yolo County Department of Community Services' Integrated Waste Management Division, please visit www.YoloCounty.org/YCCL.

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