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Yolo County Landfill Observes Independence Day

(Woodland, CA) – As residents across Yolo County prepare to celebrate Independence Day, the Yolo County Department of Community Services' Integrated Waste Management Division intends to support them in reducing waste during their festivities. Unlike many public servants, the dedicated team at the Yolo County Central Landfill (YCCL) has few opportunities to recognize holidays due to the essential nature of their work. YCCL operates almost year-round, closing only six days annually, to provide crucial recycling, disposal, and hazardous waste services to the community. However, YCCL does close each year in observance of Independence Day, so that staff has time to celebrate with their families.

Yolo County residents are encouraged to celebrate this holiday with family gatherings, picnics, and barbecues, which is a perfect time to remind residents about the following useful waste reduction tips:

- Choose eco-friendly decorations such as reusable lanterns and fabric flags to reduce waste.
- Plan a low-waste event, using paper plates and paper napkins that can be composted in curbside organics containers.
- Support local farmers by buying fresh and locally sourced ingredients for more sustainable food options.
- Traditional fireworks can harm the environment by releasing pollutants and leaving excessive waste on
 public streets and sidewalks, which can also cause fires in waste collection containers if not properly
 extinguished. YCCL strongly encourages residents to attend community firework displays instead of
 setting off your own fireworks.
- Be waste-conscious by setting up trash, recycling, and compost bins for guests at your gathering. Be sure to provide a green bin for composting and a blue bin for recycling.

YCCL, as well as the Household Hazardous Waste Facility, Compost Facility, and the Big Blue Recycling Barn thrift store, will close operations on Independence Day. All YCCL services will resume normal business hours on Friday, July 5. Landfill hours are Monday to Saturday from 6:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m and Sunday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. For more information on the various waste reduction programs offered by the Department of Community Services' Integrated Waste Management Division please call (530) 666-8856 or visit www.YoloCounty.org/Landfill.