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Successful Tire Recycling Event in Dunnigan Held in Collaboration with Ritchie Bros

(Woodland, CA) – On Saturday, August 3, 2024, the Yolo County Department of Community Services' Division of Integrated Waste Management, in partnership with Ritchie Bros. Auctioneers, held a successful tire recycling event at their Dunnigan location. During the event, a total of 617 tires were recycled, benefiting over 70 residents and farms in Yolo, Zamora, and Dunnigan.

These events are made possible through CalRecycle amnesty grant funds, which support the collection and proper recycling of tires. Yolo County District 5 Supervisor Angel Barajas, who helped to organize the event, remarked, "As the cost of recycling tires in California continues to rise, these events are vital for our agricultural communities. I am extremely proud of our landfill staff's efforts to secure these funds and provide such valuable resources to District 5."

According to CalRecycle's most recent Waste Tire Market Report, California generates 51.1 million tires annually. The state's waste tire diversion rates have increased from 76.2% to 82.3%. Events like this contribute to the effective recovery of tires, which are then transformed into products such as Tire Derived Aggregate, Rubberized Asphalt Concrete, and rubberized playground surfaces.

Heather Rickey, Regional Operations Manager for Ritchie Bros., stated, "This type of community engagement is what we strive to promote. This partnership benefits both the environment and the residents of Yolo County."

In addition to Tire Amnesty Events, the Yolo County Central Landfill, located at 44090 County Road 28H in Woodland, accepts tires for a fee seven days a week: Monday through Saturday from 6:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and Sunday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. For information on upcoming tire amnesty events, please visit the Division of Integrated Waste Management's website at <u>www.YoloCounty.gov/Landfill</u>.

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