



City of Maupin Newsletter

By Frank Kay
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We are pleased to report that Wasco County has achieved a 54% Recycling rate, up from the lowest-in-the-state rate of 19% several years ago. Maupin did its share with our Recycling Center at the City RV Park. In fact, the number of “haul-aways” of our recycling containers (two Glass, one Cardboard, and one Co-mingled) is above our original estimates. This is a good thing. However....

The Co-mingled Recycling container has been “abused” and the materials in it are contaminated with garbage, glass, construction debris, plastic bags, etc. Please take a few minutes to read the info on the back of this newsletter that describes what acceptable materials are and what is not. Then adjust your recycling behavior accordingly.

If we are unable to restore the integrity of the Co-mingled Recycling, we will then need to establish supervised hours for recycling, lock off the recycling center, or go into the recycling business of buying trucks, containers, etc. Let’s all work together, “by the rules”, to make Maupin’s Recycling Center Program work conveniently for all of us.

If you are interested in being on a Recycling Advisory Committee to the City Council please contact Frank at 541-395-2698.

After nearly eight months of uncertainty, the City of Maupin reached a separation agreement with former Public Works Director, Mike Miles. The agreement is available for citizens to review at City Hall. All seven of the Council voted for this agreement in the best interests of our Staff and City moving forward.

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Meeting Schedules

Council Work Session @ the City Park Community Building 6:00 pm	3/17/15
Council Meeting @ the City Park Community Building 6:30 pm	3/25/15

Public Meetings Law Executive Sessions
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Notice of Meetings

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Hazardous Waste Collection
Saturday, April 18th
10AM-2PM
Public Works: 390 3rd St.

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MAUPIN' S RECYCLING CENTER

We accept glass, cardboard, paper, household metals, and plastic bottles & tubs. Please follow the guidelines below.

Glass (Only in the 2 small bins provided), do not put glass into the Co-mingled Recycling Container or in the Cardboard-only container. (It "destroys" the entire load.)

- Glass bottles & jars of all colors and sizes go all together. Please remove any metal or plastic lids.

CARDBOARD (Please use the large "cardboard only" container)

- Please flatten your cardboard boxes, cardboard tubes, dividers, etc. and slide them into the bin horizontally so that we can maximize the volume of cardboard with each hauling.

CO-MINGLED (Please use the large "co-mingled" container only)

- Office paper (all colors & weights)
- Newspapers & Magazines
- Phone Books & Catalogs
- Junk mail, Flyers, City Newsletters
- Egg Cartons, Plant Containers (free of dirt)
- Aluminum Cans & Tin Cans
- Pie Tins & Clean Foil
- Empty Aerosol Cans (no plastic lids)
- Plastic Bottles (leave lids on)
- Milk Jugs (leave lids on)
- Plastic Tubs (6 oz. up to 5 gal.w/lids)

PLEASE DO NOT PUT YOUR RECYCLABLES INTO PLASTIC BAGS! The bags are not recyclable and gum-up the processor.

The following items are also NOT ACCEPTABLE NOW for Recycling:

- Clear Plastic "clam shell" containers
- Gable-top cartons (such as milk and refrigerated juice boxes)
- Aseptic shelf-stable cartons (such as soups, broths, and juice boxes)
- Microwaveable plastic trays
- Frozen food boxes with wax coating on the inside

A special note of thanks to Kathie Richey for her efforts collecting pop & beer & water bottles in the garbage cans near the Co-mingled Recycling Container. She redeems the 5 cent deposits to fund the After-School Activities Program for our kids. Amber Anderson, the program director, depends on us (and our deposit bottles & cans) to conduct their youth programs.