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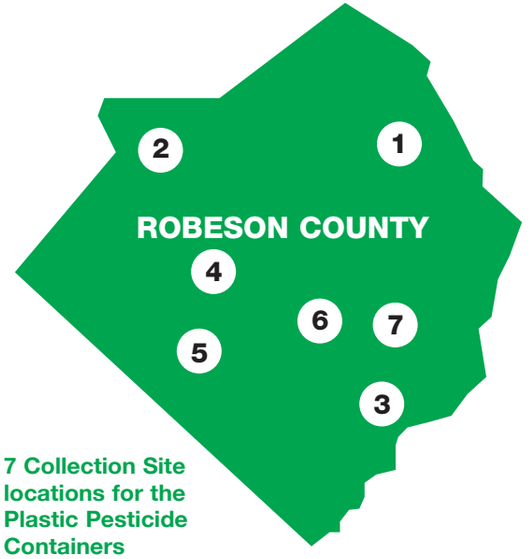

7 Collection Site locations for the Plastic Pesticide Containers

1. **Balance Farm**
   1884 Balance Farm Road, St. Pauls
2. **Beaver Dam**
   459 Beaver Dam Road, Maxton
3. **Branch Road**
   584 Branch Road, Lumberton
4. **Alma Road**
   66 Daystorm Drive, Maxton
5. **Midway**
   3096 Midway Road, Maxton
6. **Lowe Road**
   3141 Lowe Road, Lumberton
7. **Lamb Road**
   182 Lamb Road, Lumberton

Recycling Counts!

0	Cost to grower, dealer or custom applicator, in most areas
3	Rinses per container for triple-rinse
5	ACRC contractors
23	ACRC years of service to U.S. growers and custom applicators
43	States covered by ACRC
30,000	Pounds of triple-rinsed containers collected in 1990 (pre-ACRC)
2,500,000	Pounds collected in 1993, second year of the ACRC
8,000,000	Pounds collected in 2004, thirteenth year of the ACRC
150,000,000	Total pounds collected through 2014

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Recycling Pesticide Containers Is Easy!

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ROBESON COUNTY SOLID WASTE
PESTICIDE RECYCLING PROGRAM

Recycling Prep Is Simple!

Preparing pesticide containers properly for recycling (before your ACRC Contractor arrives) is essential.
Be sure to use this checklist.

ACRC Inspection Checklist for Container Acceptability

• TYPE:
Only rigid high density polyethylene (HDPE) containers are accepted; embossed with resin code #2, and sometimes #7.

• USE:
The container originally held an EPA registered pesticide labeled for micronutrient, fertilizer, animal health, agriculture, forestry, vegetative management, specialty pest control OR a non-EPA registered crop protection adjuvant, crop oil, or surfactant.

• PROFESSIONAL USE:
The contents of each container were used by a farmer, commercial applicator or a person under the direct supervision of a farmer or commercial applicator.

• SIZES:
Containers are accepted from the smallest sizes up to 55 gallons in capacity. For sizes greater than 55 gallons in capacity, contact the collection site or the ACRC contractor.

• RESIDUES / CLEANING:
Containers must be empty and triple-rinsed or pressure-rinsed to remove all residues. Immediately after rinsing the container, look inside and make sure that all the formulation has been rinsed out. Also, inspect the outside of the container; particularly check that the pour spout, the spout threads and the container wall surrounding the spout are free of formulation residues that flake, smear or come off on a glove when touched. The interior surfaces of containers must be dry.

• NON-ACCEPTABLE PARTS:
Caps and other non-HDPE parts, such as metal handles and rubber linings, cannot be recycled. Clean and discard these parts as normal solid waste. Never put a cap back on a rinsed container.

• BOOKLET / LABEL:
Booklets must be removed. The pressure sensitive label that adheres to the container may remain, as some states require it to remain on the container.

ACCEPTABLE

Rinsed, stained and residue-free. Caps and label booklets removed.

NOT ACCEPTABLE

Containers caked with residue, dried formulation on container and thread or liquid residue present.

TRIPLE RINSE OR PRESSURE RINSE NOZZLE

• FOR TRIPLE RINSING JUGS:
Empty contents of container into spray tank, turning the container so that any product trapped in the handle is allowed to flow out. Once flow is down to a drip, allow the container to drain for an additional 30 seconds. Immediately begin rinsing procedures or the product may become difficult to remove. Fill the empty container 1/4 full of clean water.

Replace the cap on the container. With the container opening facing left, shake the container left to right over a distance of four to six inches. Shake the container about twice per second for 30 seconds. Drain rinse water into spray tank as previously described. Fill the empty container 1/4 full of clean water a second time.

Recap the container. With the opening of the container pointed towards the ground, shake the container as described before. Then drain the rinse water into the spray tank. Finally, fill the empty container 1/4 full once more with clean water.

Recap the container. With the container in the normal, upright position, shake the container as described before. Pour the rinse water into the spray tank. Carefully rinse and spray residue from the outside of the container. Carefully rinse cap over spray tank opening and then dispose of cap appropriately as regular solid waste.

• FOR PRESSURE RINSING JUGS:
Empty contents of container into spray tank, turning the container so that any product trapped in the handle is allowed to flow out. Once flow is down to a drip, allow the container to drain for an additional 30 seconds. Immediately begin rinsing procedures or the product may become difficult to remove.

Hold the container so the opening can drain into spray tank. Force tip of the pressure nozzle through the lower portion of the side closest to the handle. Connect nozzle to a clean water source of at least 40 psi. Turn the nozzle inside the container to assure good coverage of all sides, including the handle.

Rinse for at least 30 seconds. Rinse cap under water coming out of the drum and into the spray can and then dispose of cap appropriately as regular solid waste. Drain all rinse water into the spray tank.