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### *Tire Collection Event to be held in County*

**Cumberland County, PA** – The Cumberland County Planning Department has partnered with PA CleanWays of Cumberland County to host a tire collection event from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 21 at the Cumberland County Service Center, 310 Allen Road, Carlisle. The last tire collection event held in the County was in 2008 and more than 3,500 tires were collected.

Pre-registration and pre-payment is required by Thursday, Oct. 12. Car/truck size tires on or off the rim are \$2 per tire; tractor trailer size tires are \$7 per tire; and large agricultural tires are \$25 per tire. To register and submit payment, please contact Stephanie Larson at PA CleanWays at (724) 836-4121 ex.104 between the hours of 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. Payments are accepted via credit card or check. Tires which have not been pre-registered will not be accepted. Tires used in commercial operations also cannot be accepted.

Tires which are improperly disposed can leach toxic chemicals, which contaminate soil and water. They also provide breeding grounds for mosquitoes, increasing the risk of West Nile and Zika viruses. Tire piles also pose a fire hazard. Tire fires are known for being difficult to extinguish and create an abundance of smoke, which carries toxic chemicals from the breakdown of synthetic rubber compounds, contributing to air pollution.

“We’re pleased that we could partner with PA CleanWays in providing this collection event to Cumberland County residents,” said Justin C. Miller, coordinator of the County’s recycling programs. “Recycling your old tires is a win for the homeowner and the environment.”

The collection event is sponsored in part by the Department of Environmental Protection’s HHW/Small Business Household Hazardous Waste Collection Program. For more details on PA CleanWays, visit [www.keppabeautiful.org](http://www.keppabeautiful.org).

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