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Keep Perry County Beautiful, in partnership with Oliver Township, to hold Tire War on September 19

(July 2020) – Keep Perry County Beautiful, in partnership with Oliver Township and Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful, will host a tire collection for County residents. The local group is seeking to eliminate illegal dumping and littering of tires in the County by providing a convenient and affordable alternative. The collection will be held on Saturday, September 19 from 8a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Oliver Township Building located at 615 South 3rd Street in Newport, PA.

Event coordinators are following all local, state and federal guidelines to reduce the spread of novel coronavirus (COVID-19). Residents bringing tires to the collection are asked to follow the protocols below in an effort to limit interaction between workers and residents. **Pre-registration is required.**

- Please pre-register by calling 717-582-5138 or emailing ksmith@perryco.org
Pre-registration begins on August 1 and ends on September 10.
- At the event, please remain in your vehicle at all times.
- Please wear a facemask when interacting with event workers.
- Please bring exact change, if possible. Checks will also be accepted.

There are fees associated with tire disposal. The fee schedule is as follows:

- \$2.00 per tire (car or light truck)
- \$3.00 per tire on rim (car or light truck)
- \$5.00 per truck tire (over 36" inches across or 14" inches wide)
- \$10.00 per truck tire on rim (over 36" inches across or 14" inches wide)
- \$15.00 per large agricultural tire (equipment and/or tractor tires)
- \$25.00 per large agricultural tire on rim (equipment and/or tractor tires)
- Tires from commercial operations will not be accepted

Tires that are improperly disposed leach toxic chemicals that contaminate soil and water. They also provide breeding grounds for mosquitoes, increasing the risk of West Nile Virus and Zika Virus. Tires will be reground and used as rubber mulch, play turf, landscaping borders, athletic turf, and rubber asphalt roads, among other uses. Tires will be sent to our local recycler Mahantango Enterprises Inc in Liverpool, PA.

For more information and to pre-register, please call or email Kristie Smith – Watershed Specialist at 717-582-5138 ksmith@perryco.org or visit www.perrycd.org for more details.

About Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful

Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful's mission is empowering Pennsylvanians to make our communities clean and beautiful. Since 1990, Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful and its volunteers have removed over 147 million pounds of litter from Pennsylvania's roadways, greenways, parks, forests, and waterways. To learn more about Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful, visit www.keppabeautiful.org.