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Spring No-Charge Yard Waste Day Set for June 27

AMES, Iowa – Story County residents can dispose of yard waste at no charge during the rescheduled Spring No-Charge Yard Waste Day planned for Saturday, June 27, at GreenRU (formerly Chamness Technology), 400 Freel Drive. Hours are from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. This yard waste drop-off day will include both yard waste and brush.

For those unable to take advantage of the Saturday, June 27 date, a single-use voucher may be picked up in advance at the Resource Recovery Plant (RRP), 110 Center Ave. The voucher may be used only from noon to 5 p.m. on Friday, June 26. The voucher must be redeemed at time of disposal. To receive a voucher, participants should drive through the car lane at the RRP during business hours. Resource Recovery is open from 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, and from 8 a.m. to noon on Saturday. Vouchers will be available through 3:30 p.m. on Friday, June 26.

Those participating in No-Charge Yard Waste Day are asked to enter the site from Dayton Avenue, then west on Southeast Fifth Street, and north on Freel Drive. Drivers should exit the site north on Freel Drive to Lincoln Way. Vehicles will be spaced to appropriately allow for safe, social distancing. This will mean fewer vehicles will be allowed to access the site and wait time will be longer. Please follow GreenRU’s rules for proper yard waste disposal. For additional information or questions, call GreenRU at 515.450.0450 and leave a message.

Yard waste is not accepted at Resource Recovery. The RRP receives garbage from Ames and the surrounding communities in Story County for processing. Metals are extracted and sold for recycling. The remainder is shredded by machines, and the burnable portion becomes Refused Derived Fuel (RDF). RDF is piped to the City's power plant and used with natural gas to generate electricity.

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