

5B Recycles Blaine County Recycling & Waste Diversion Programs

A Comprehensive Guide to Waste, Recycling and Reuse in Blaine County, including the City of Hailey

Most of this information is reproduced from the Blaine County website <http://5brecycles.org/>

It is very important that only items that can be recycled are placed in the recycling bins/dumpsters. Even a small amount of wrong material can cause contamination, making it non-recyclable (trash), cause injury to our employees, and harm equipment. **Please, if you are in doubt, throw it out.**

Remember to **REDUCE** what you use, **REUSE** what you can, and **RECYCLE** what can be recycled.



CURBSIDE PICK-UP

Plastic Program: We accept HDPE, PETE, PP & PPE Plastics #1-5. This includes most bottles, jugs, and produce/food containers. Lids are acceptable, but need to be removed from the container. Please empty and rinse all food containers, bottles, and jugs. Look for the above letters or numbers 1-5 inside a triangle on the container. If you can't find the triangle, please throw the item out.

WE DO NOT ACCEPT Polystyrene (PS) #6 or Misc #7. We do not take Styrofoam, Styrofoam egg cartons, plastic bags, cassette tapes, CDs, DVDs, pesticide or oil containers or any type of large items such as buckets, plumbing pipe or conduit.

Plastic shopping bags can be recycled at Atkinsons, Albertsons, LL Greens, ERC, Community School, or the Blaine County Annex building. Plastic shipping bubble wrap and Styrofoam peanuts can be reused at the UPS stores in Ketchum and Hailey, or at Easy Pack in Ketchum.

Aluminum and Tin Program: Aluminum and tin can be placed in the same bin (but separated from other recyclables) for curbside pick-up. We accept beverage cans, disposable aluminum pie tins, aluminum foil (minimally soiled) and tin cans. Please empty and rinse all containers. Food residue jams up the machinery.

WE DO NOT ACCEPT paint buckets, un-rinsed food containers, heavily soiled aluminum foil, or propane bottles (propane tanks can be taken to Ohio Gulch Transfer Station).

Mixed Paper/Fiber Program: Mixed paper, Newspaper, & Magazines can be placed (separately) in the bin for curbside pick-up. Please remove any plastic or metal parts first, (other than binding staples). **WE ACCEPT** white and colored paper, junk mail, envelopes, folders, cereal boxes, fiber egg containers, beer boxes, paper towel and toilet paper rolls, non-corrugated cardboard, packing paper and similar materials, newspapers and inserts that came with the newspaper, magazines, catalogs, glossy paper, phone books, and paperback books.

WE DO NOT ACCEPT fluorescent paper, waxed containers, (such as milk or juice cartons), waxed paper, or food soiled paper.

DROP OFF ONLY

Corrugated Cardboard: Cardboard is not accepted curbside but can be dropped off at the Recycle Center or community drop off centers. Corrugated cardboard is two layers with air space and wavy ribs between the layers. Please remove any plastic or metal parts first. Please break down all boxes. Large cardboard items should be cut into sections no larger than 5 feet by 4 feet. Non-corrugated cardboard goes in mixed paper.

WE DO NOT accept pizza boxes or wax coated cardboard (used in shipping produce and meat). These items are not recycled and should be thrown out.

Glass Diversion Program: Glass is not accepted curbside but can be dropped off at the Recycle Center or community drop off centers. Please remove lids-glass must be separated from all other material. When glass is not properly separated, it creates a safety hazard to staff, contaminates the other recycle materials, and can damage sorting machinery. There is currently no recycling market for glass from Blaine County, so glass is diverted from the solid waste stream to Milner Butte Landfill and becomes inert fill at the Ohio Gulch Construction and demolition pit.

Drop Off Locations:

Hailey Park & Ride - NW Corner of River & Bullion
Blaine County Recycle Center 110 Ohio Gulch Road
Sun Valley City Hall 81 Elkhorn Road

Hailey Fire Department 617 South 3rd Ave
Carey Transfer Station 1675 South 1800 East
Elkhorn Fire Station 100 Arrowleaf Road
LDS Church Sun Valley First Ward, 4th & Spruce

BLAINE COUNTY RECYCLE CENTER 110 Ohio Gulch Road. On the right before the Scale House.

Monday-Saturday from 8am-5pm 788-0880

Additional Recycling and Diversion Opportunities

All items collected at curbside and drop off points are accepted at the Recycle Center

Phonebooks and paperback books-can be added to mixed paper at curbside, taken to Blaine County Recycle Center or, seasonally, to other drop off centers. Hard covers and spiral binding are not accepted.

Computer Recycling Program-We accept desktop monitors, towers (CPU), laptop computers, power supplies, DVD players, printers, fax machines, scanners and other electronic devices. WE DO NOT ACCEPT TV's.

Household batteries-(AAA, AA, C, D, etc.) and all rechargeable batteries such as those used with power tools and computers. These items can be dropped off at the Blaine County Recycle Center. Batteries are also accepted at the ERC, and Thermal Temp Heating & Cooling. RECHARGEABLE batteries can be taken to LL Greens.

Motor Oil-Blaine County Recycle Center and the Carey Drop-off center. Motor oil can be recycled at some automotive repair shops, and Mountain Rides bus garage in Ketchum (788-7433). DO NOT drop off after hours.

Mercury thermometers and mercury-based thermostats-can be taken free of charge to Thermal Temp Heating & Cooling (788-4560) or to the Blaine County Recycle Center.

Household Hazard Waste Program- Limited to residential households and Conditionally Exempt Small Quantity Generators (CESQG). The Blaine County Recycle Center accepts harsh chemical cleaners, paints (oil & latex), thinners, antifreeze, weed killers, insecticides and pesticides, and similar hazardous household products. Limit is 5 gallons per day and no more than 25 gallons per month. Additional latex paint cans may be dried and taken to the Ohio Gulch Transfer Station.

WE DO NOT ACCEPT explosives, fire extinguishers, smoke detectors, agricultural chemicals, or business waste.

FAQ - FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

1) Do I need to have 3 official 5B Recycles bins? No: You can sort in anything from cardboard boxes and wire baskets to buckets and totes as long as your different materials are sorted and easy for the driver to manage. Use your own container or one of ours. **NOTE:** It's best to use sorting containers that will not blow around and turn into litter.

2) I separate my recyclables in plastic bags. Is that ok? No: using plastic bags damages the machines at the recycling plant and can cause big fines for our county. When left at the curbside they will blow.

PERSONAL DIVERSION PROGRAMS

Find a way to divert non-recyclable garbage from the landfill. Consider the following:

Car Tires-Les Schwab will dispose of your personal tires for no charge depending on the season, and may even purchase your used tires. Call 788-0924 for details.

Ink and Toner Cartridges-can be recycled at Janes and Copy & Print in Hailey, Business as Usual in Ketchum or OfficeMax in Twin Falls or Boise.

DVD Players, Home and Car Audio Systems, Computer Cables, Peripherals, Small Electrics, Fans, and Vacuum Cleaners can be recycled through Best Buy in Twin Falls and Boise. Go to www.bestbuy.com/recycling for details and fees.

VCR's, DVD Players, Computers, and Stereos-The Wood River Middle School Technology Department accepts these to be used for teaching. Contact Al Alamato Monday-Friday from 9am-3pm. No televisions or computer monitors!

Non-treated wood scraps- can be burned in wood stoves and fireplaces for heat.

Construction lumber scraps - can be composted at Ohio Gulch using a construction dumpster on the job site.

CFL Light bulbs-You can deliver unbroken CFL bulbs (not tubes) to the ERC, the City of Hailey, City of Bellevue, Home Depot or Lowe's in Twin Falls, for safe collection and recycling. Unbroken, they present absolutely no threat to an individual but they need to be recycled to keep the mercury out of our environment. For information on clean up instructions for broken bulbs, go to www.energystar.gov or www.lamprecycle.org

Useable Clothing/Books/Sporting Goods/Furniture/Household Items, etc. In good condition, these items can be a tax deductible donation if given to: Advocates Attic, Barkin Basement and the Gold Mine. Books can be given as a tax deductible donation to the Friends of the Hailey Public Library's drop off center at the Hailey Public Library. Access the drop off center in the foyer at 315 South Main Street, Hailey City Hall.

Useable Furniture/Building Materials-in good condition, these items can be a tax deductible donation if given to the Building Materials Thrift Store. They will pick up, free of charge, almost anything in reusable condition if it is construction related. They also offer deconstruction services to salvage reusable materials for resale. Visit their showroom for amazing bargains.

Cell Phones-Drop off at the ERC or donate to local charity. Most will require you to include the battery.

Home Composting-Free "How to Guide": www.sisw.org

Sell your reusable items in the local papers or have a yard sale. Idaho Mountain Express classifieds: 726-8060 or The Weekly Sun classifieds 928-7186. Also, try out one of the Facebook Groups: Things for Sale or Free in Hailey, or Things for Free or Sale in Hailey, or Things for Free in Hailey.

FAQ - FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

3) I live in an apartment building. How can I recycle?

Many apartment and condo complexes do offer recycling, and we suggest you check with your property management company or HOA to know what is offered, or request certain bins. If collection bins are not offered for your property, you can contact Clear Creek at 726-9600 for individual curbside pick up, or take recyclable items to our seven different drop off locations free of charge. The City of Hailey has collection sites for mixed paper and plastics at the west side of the Hailey Public Library, and collection dumpsters for cardboard and glass at the Bullion and River Street Park & Ride Lot and at the Hailey Fire Station at 617 3rd Ave S.

OHIO GULCH TRANSFER STATION - Managed by Southern Idaho Solid Waste District

This is for non-recyclable waste which is trucked to Milner Butte Landfill.

Located on the right after the Blaine County Recycle Center and the Scale House

Monday-Saturday 8am-5pm 788-2351

Propane Tanks - can be recycled at the Transfer Station only. They do not need to be empty. SISW transports the propane bottles to a third party who collects the propane for free. After the propane is collected, SISW will process the bottles and recycle the metal.

Car Tires - Ohio Gulch Transfer Station will accept car and truck tires for a fee. Car tires without rims are \$2.50 each. With rims are \$5.00 each. Light truck tires are \$3.00 each. With rims are \$5.50 each. Semi-truck tires without rims are \$12.00 each. With rims are \$14.50 each. Implement tires without rims are \$25.00 each. "Hard" implement tires like lawn mower wheels with rims are not accepted. Recycling up to 4 tires is no charge on the first Saturday of both May and October.

Car Batteries - can go to local auto parts stores for trade-in or recycling or to the Ohio Gulch Transfer Station. DO NOT drop off after hours. The Scale House attendant will direct you to the car battery drop-off location.

SISW's Construction and Demolition Debris Diversion Program - this is for inert material that will not decompose such as: concrete, brick, rubble, dirt, rock, glass, metal, and tree stumps over 18" in diameter, and with no more than 10% organic material. All of these can go to the Construction & Demolition site at Ohio Gulch. Currently, the disposal fee for this is \$20.00 per ton, if you haul. Curbside service for construction materials requires a dumpster. Call Clear Creek Disposal (726-9600) for information and rates for inert fill and wood only dumpsters.

Yard Waste Diversion Program - Branches (less than 18 inches in diameter and 8 feet in length), Christmas trees (no decorations), grass clippings, leaves, wooden pallets, and clean scrap wood can be delivered to the yard waste area, located after the Scale House, where it will be ground into compost, which is available for purchase. One load, per household, per week, is free. After that, it is \$10 per ton, if you haul.

Non-working appliances Diversion Program - such as refrigerators, ovens, washers and dryers, and water heaters, can be dropped off, and the metal recycled at the Ohio Gulch Transfer Station for \$5.00 fee. Working appliances can be donated to the Building Materials Thrift Store (788-0014)

Scrap Metal Diversion Program - anything made from metal, including pots and pans, can be delivered to the scrap metal area to be recycled. The Scale House attendant will direct you. Call 788-2351 for questions about large or unusual items. No charge for eligible items.

Vehicles (no charge) - must have title and registration (VIN verification) for SISW to submit to scrap metal recycler. Vehicle must not contain Municipal Solid Waste and be empty of all fluids.

RV's/Trailers/Mobile Homes are charged per weight plus at \$75 labor fee. The fee can exceed \$500.

COLLECTION:

Trash and recycling service within the City of Hailey includes weekly curbside pickup of both household garbage and **unlimited sorted recyclables**.

BILLING: Billing for waste disposal is through the City of Hailey and is included on your water/sewer bill.
Recycling is provided at no extra charge.

