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BAY AREA LAWN MOWER BUY-BACK EVENTS BEGIN. ELECTRIC MOWERS FOR \$100 OFF RETAIL

The Bay Area Air Quality Management District, along with several Bay Area county waste management agencies, is providing a \$100 rebate to residents who exchange their old gas-powered lawn mowers for an electric model. With an old mower trade-in, residents will receive an instant rebate on a Black & Decker corded mower for \$79 plus tax. The normal retail price for the model MM 575 is \$179.

"Earth Day is coming, and this event gives county residents a chance to make a clean air choice," said Bill Norton, the Air District's Air Pollution Control Officer. "We hope to exchange over 1500 gasoline lawn mowers for a new, less polluting electric model," said Norton.

Mowers must be drained of oil and gas. They are available on a first come, first served basis; supplies are limited. You must be a resident of the participating county or the City of Sunnyvale. For more info, residents should call 1-800-HELP-AIR or go to www.baaqmd.gov.

COUNTY	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	MORE INFO
Marin	April 12	8:00 am - 12:00 pm	San Rafael Home Depot, 111 Shoreline Parkway	(415) 499-3725
Solano	April 12	8:00 am - 10:00 am	Vacaville Home Depot, 510 Orange Drive	(707) 454-0714
Contra Costa	April 26 May 3	7:00 am - 10:00 am 7:00 am - 10:00 am	Concord Home Depot, 2090 Meridian Park Blvd. Pittsburg Home Depot, 2300 North Park Blvd.	(925) 906-1806
Sonoma	April 26	7:00 am - 12:00 pm	Rohnert Park Home Depot, 4825 Redwood Drive	(707) 565-3375
Sunnyvale	April 26	8:00 am - 11:00 am	Sunnyvale Home Depot, 690 Kifer Road <i>Sunnyvale residents only</i>	(408) 730-7262
Napa	May 3	8:30 am - 12:00 pm	Napa Home Depot, 225 Soscol Avenue	(707) 251-0162

- *Alameda residents: the Alameda County Waste Management Authority is organizing a mower buyback on May 10th, in the parking lot of the Henry J. Kaiser Convention Center in Oakland. See www.stopwaste.org for more info.*

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