



Blaine, Custer, Garfield, Greeley, Howard, Loup, Sherman, Valley and Wheeler Counties in Nebraska.

Loup Basin Resource Conservation and Development Council



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351.94 Tons of Scrap Tires Collected in 2013!!

The Lower Loup Natural Resources District was awarded a 2013 Waste Reduction and Recycling Incentive Grant – Scrap Tire Cleanup from the Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality.

A Scrap Tire Collection was held Saturday, June 22, 2013 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Valley County Fairgrounds, E Hwy 11, Ord, Nebraska. Tires of all sizes: tractor, combine, pivot, truck and auto tires were accepted. Local veterans directed traffic and logged in the following information from those bringing in tires: name, address, phone number, number of tires and from where the tires came.

On August 19, 2013 it was announced that an opportunity had opened up for another Scrap Tire Cleanup to be held on Saturday, September 7, 2013 due to excessive wind, fallen trees and rain from the thunderstorms that passed through during the evening hours of June 21, 2013, prior to the last scrap tire collection that occurred on Saturday June 22, 2013.

A Scrap Tire Collection was held Saturday, September 7, 2013 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Country Partners Cooperative, 15th and I Street, Ord, Nebraska – one block west of CO-OP. Again the local Veterans recorded the producers information, directed traffic and did not accept tires on rims and tires for which a disposal fee has been received.

At both collections the Ord Public Schools, Future Farmers of America Chapter helped with the unloading of the tires and a portion of the free will donation was given to the chapter.

The recycling end use market determined how the tires from the Tire Collection cleanup event were used. Potential uses included feed bunks, sidewall rings for silage cover weights, traffic cones, and alternative cover for landfills.

Both Scrap Tire Collections were for the residents of Blaine, Custer, Garfield, Greeley, Howard, Loup, Sherman, Valley and Wheeler Counties in Nebraska. And Scrap Tire Cleanups were sponsored by the Loup Basin Resource, Conservation & Development Council, Lower Loup Natural Resources District, Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality, Loup Valley Ag Society and Country Partners Cooperative respectfully.

351.94 tons of scrap tires were delivered from Farms, Ranches and Households. Recycling these scrap tires made an environmental impact by diverting the scrap tires from landfill disposal and eliminating a place for mosquitos, therefore protecting the public health.

Vision: Purpose is to help local people turn ideas into reality.

Mission: To sustain our quality of life and to work cooperatively to successfully address economic, environmental and social issues.