

ILLEGAL DUMPING

WHAT YOU CAN DO TO PROTECT HUMAN HEALTH AND THE ENVIRONMENT

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WHAT IS IT?

Illegal dumping is disposing of waste in an unpermitted location. Materials are dumped along roadsides, in creeks, etc. to prevent the time, effort, and sometimes expense of legal disposal.

Commonly dumped materials at Sac and Fox Nation are shingles, barrels, household trash, tires, cars, etc.

THREATS TO HUMAN HEALTH AND SAFETY

Dump sites...

...usually occur in open areas, which can be accessed by children, exposing them to the contaminants and materials present.

...give shelter to pests, such as mosquitos, which can multiply 100 times faster in the warm stagnant water of scrap tire casings.

...are fire hazards, through spontaneous combustion or arson.

...clog rivers and streams and prevent runoff from reaching waterways.



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Dump sites...

...create contaminated runoff, which flows into surface and groundwater, polluting drinking water supplies.

ECONOMIC COSTS

Property values decrease in communities where open dumping is present, due to its negative aesthetics and environmental hazards. Local, state, and federal agencies spend millions of dollars each year cleaning, hauling, and disposing of illegally dumped materials. These costs translate to higher taxes for residents.

HOW TO LEGALLY DISPOSE OF YOUR WASTE.

Recycling at Sac and Fox Nation

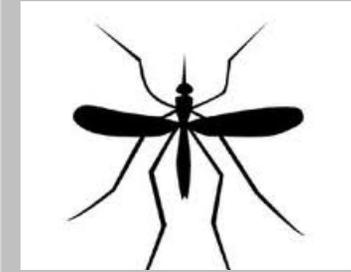
Recycling bulk and bin trailers are located at the Administrative Offices, Casino/Truck Stop, and Red Earth

- Cardboard
- White paper
- Newspaper
- Shredded paper
- Magazines
- Aluminum cans

HEALTH, SAFETY, AND ECONOMIC EFFECTS OF ILLEGAL DUMPING



EXPOSE CHILDREN



HABITAT FOR PESTS

WATER CONTAMINATION



LOWER PROPERTY VALUES



Brown County Household Hazardous Waste (785-547-3552) Atchinson County Solid Waste (913-367-1666)

- Oil
- Metals
- Household cleaners
- Batteries
- Electronics