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Fremont County Solid Waste Disposal District/Wyoming Game and Fish

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**Local Landfills now accepting deer carcasses without charge**

The Fremont County Solid Waste Disposal District and the Wyoming Game and Fish Department have teamed up to prevent the spread of diseases in animals. The Solid Waste District is offering free disposal of deer species carcasses (mule deer, white-tail deer, elk, and moose only) as part of a one year pilot project.

The program applies to those deer species that are found dead on private property, are killed on the roadways, test positive for diseases, or are harvested by hunters. The pilot project is expected to assist hunters, landowners, sportsmen and such agencies as the Wyoming Game and Fish Department and the Wyoming Department of Transportation.

“We are excited about the project and see it as a valuable way to reduce human health and safety issues and the spread of wildlife diseases such as chronic wasting disease, epizootic hemorrhagic disease (blue tongue), adenovirus and scours that may arise with carcasses of dead animals,” according to Game and Fish Regional Supervisor Jason Hunter.

County residents are also reminded that disposal of whole or processed carcasses in household trash is acceptable.

Carcasses that do not fit into curbside bins or dumpsters can be delivered to the following sites during normal business hours: Lander and Sand Draw landfills and the Riverton and Dubois transfer stations. Call your local game warden or regional office prior to disposal of deer found dead from natural causes, and as a reminder antlers from a found animal cannot be kept without approval from Game and Fish.

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