

Reminder: Ritchie to Host No-Cost Waste Tire Disposal Events Saturday

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State Senator Patty Ritchie is reminding Oswego County residents they can dispose of waste tires at no cost during her upcoming "Tire Take Back" event happening on Saturday, June 15 th at locations across Oswego County.

"Far too often we see piles of tires in yards and near roadways because people are not quite sure how they can safely and affordably dispose of them," said Senator Ritchie.

"Unfortunately, when tires pile up and collect water, they not only become an eyesore, but they also act as a breeding ground for deadly mosquitoes."

"My 'Tire Tack Back' event is a way for those in Oswego County to get rid of unwanted tires – for free – and at the same time, protect the health of their fellow community members," she added.

Events, which are being hosted along with the Oswego County Legislature, will take place from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM on Saturday, June 15th. During those times, residents can bring waste tires to the following transfer stations:

- Bristol Hill (3125 New York State Route 3)
- Hannibal (1167 County Route 7)
- Hastings (1391 US Route 11)
- Oswego (700 E. Seneca St.)
- Pulaski (100 County Route 2A)

At each event, residents will have the opportunity to dispose of up to eight tires at no cost. Tractor tires must be cut into quarters before being dropped off.

Last summer, more than a dozen mosquitoes collected at Toad Harbor Swamp in Oswego County tested positive for Eastern equine encephalitis (EEE), while one tested positive for West Nile virus.

Including an event held earlier this spring, Senator Ritchie's 'Tire Take Back' events have helped recycle nearly 100,000 waste tires, helping to eliminate breeding ground for millions of mosquitoes, protect the environment and beautify the region.