

Recycling effort evolving in the Salinas Valley

Get ready for the next generation of resource management for the Salinas Valley: A complete recycling center is coming soon to the Salinas Valley Transfer Station at Sun Street, courtesy of the Salinas Valley Solid Waste Authority.

SVSWA is working for a future without landfills, and this is one big step forward



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toward that goal. Recycling is mandatory, so SVSWA

is providing services and systems to make it easier to recycle when you bring your waste loads in to the Salinas Valley Transfer Station at Sun Street.

One easy tour through what I like to call “The Recycling Gauntlet” will result in the recovery and recycling of every possible recyclable material from each and every

load. Drive in, and SVSWA staff will greet you at the gate to assist you with your recycling needs.

The new Recycling Center will include bins for each different class of items: Metals, including small appliances; building materials from construction and demolition,

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such as clean wood, concrete, etc.; green waste from your yard; glass; plastics; paper; cardboard; tires; mattresses; and electronic waste such as computers, monitors, televisions, audio players, cell phones and more.

The Recycling Center will include a special place for your household hazardous waste needing special care for safe disposal, to prevent injury or dangerous pollution.

Aside from the recycling drop-off bins, you'll also find a place for reusable items. Drop off your clothing, books, furniture and other useful items to be spared from the landfill and given a second life. When you use the Recycling Center you'll pay far less than just dumping your entire load, so it's a win-win for you and the future of the Salinas Valley.

The future of recycling is coming. The bunkers are

built and the bins and banners have been ordered. Look for the new system to be in place before the end of this summer and take a step toward a bright future.

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