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Ohio Department of Agriculture Announces **Farm Pesticide Disposal Collection**

REYNOLDSBURG, Ohio (Aug. 18, 2008) – The Ohio Department of Agriculture (ODA) will sponsor a farm pesticide disposal drop-off on Sept. 3 from 10:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. at the Miami County Fairgrounds, 650 North County Road 25-A, Troy, Ohio. The event will be held at the fairground’s grandstands.

“Ohio’s farmers are environmental stewards who care about the land their children will inherit,” said Ohio Agriculture Director Robert Boggs. “The Clean Sweep Program assists our farmers in further protecting consumers and the environment.”

The pesticide collection and disposal service is free of charge, but only farm chemicals will be accepted. Paint, antifreeze, solvents, and household and non-farm pesticides will not be accepted.

This collection is one of three being held throughout the state. The pesticide collections are sponsored by the department in conjunction with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. To pre-register, or for more information, contact the ODA Pesticide Section at 800-282-1955 ext. 31.

More than 1 million pounds of pesticides have been collected since the Clean Sweep Program began in 1993. More than 35,000 pounds were collected in 2007.

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