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**COUNTY EXECUTIVE DIANA AND DEPUTY COMMISSIONER HAMMOND ANNOUNCE
NEXT COUNTY WIDE HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION, INCLUDES
SHERIFF DUBOIS' SAFE SCRIPTS PHARMACEUTICAL COLLECTION**

Residents protect themselves, families, environment with proper hazardous waste disposal

GOSHEN - County Executive Edward A. Diana and Deputy Commissioner of Environmental Facilities and Services Pete S. Hammond announced today that the next county wide Household Hazardous Waste Collection will take place on Saturday, September 17 at the Delano-Hitch Recreation Center, 401 Washington Street in Newburgh. Waste will be collected from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. There is no cost to Orange County residents, although proof of residency is required to participate.

"I encourage residents to take a look around their home and property looking for hazardous waste that may have accumulated," said County Executive Diana. "Protect yourselves, your families and our County by safely disposing these items at our collection site on September 17."

Farms, schools, small businesses and governmental agencies must pre-register at (845) 291-2664 to bring their hazardous waste materials on Friday, September 16, 2011.

Deputy Commissioner Hammond said, "We can all do our part to preserve the environment by taking advantage of this free service."

The Orange County Sheriff's Office will also be on-site at the Delano-Hitch Recreation Center for Operation Safe Scripts to accept any expired or unwanted pharmaceuticals, both prescription and over-the-counter.

"My office has instituted Operation Safe Scripts as a part of our law enforcement function," said Sheriff DuBois. "This program will enhance our ongoing effort to protect the citizens and the environment in the County of Orange."

For a complete list of acceptable and unacceptable items, please call (845) 291-2664, email efs@orangecountygov.com or visit www.orangecountygov.com/efs. Please note that no electronics will be accepted.

For more information on Operation Safe Scripts, please contact the Orange County Sheriff's Office at (845) 291-4033.

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