

**North Carolina
Pesticide Environmental Trust Fund
Granting Requirements for
Plastic Pesticide Container Recycling Programs**

Conditions that must be met in order to qualify for funding:

- The county or regional governments and other entities shall be willing and able to supply or supervise a location for the pesticide container recycling program. Management and personnel needs are to be supported by these various entities. This support shall be committed to in writing from the county or regional governments and other entities with the authority to accept and direct resources.
- The county or region shall have a commitment from the local North Carolina Cooperative Extension Service to conduct an educational program and advertise the plastic pesticide container recycling program.
- Any or all required local permits needed for the establishment of these sites shall be acquired before requesting funding from the Pesticide Environmental Trust Fund.

Required elements in the funding requests:

- A detailed budget must be submitted. The budget may contain requests for educational funding as well as funding for materials and facilities. Facilities shall be funded for one year only; materials needed to continue the program might be funded beyond the first year, to be approved on a yearly basis.
- The proposal must describe the following:
 1. The facility or location that is being provided for collection of empty plastic pesticide containers for recycling,
 2. the county or region that will be served by the container recycling,
 3. any limitations on types or quantities of materials to be accepted,
 4. the schedule on which the facility will operate,
 5. how personnel needs and site security will be met,
 6. how personnel will be trained in inspecting plastic pesticide containers,
 7. how the site will be advertised or made public, and
 8. the educational program that will support this effort.

- The proposal must identify the following:
 1. USAg Recycling, Inc. as the recycling contractor that services North Carolina,
 2. the governmental agency or other entity that is providing the site,
 3. name, address, and phone number of the contact person for the county or regional container recycling center, and
 4. name, address, and phone number of the individual in the local Cooperative Extension Service who will conduct the educational program.

Accountability for funds

Funds received by county or regional governments for the purpose of establishing or enhancing pesticide container recycling programs shall be used only for the purposes stated and under the conditions of the grant agreement. County or regional governments misappropriating funds earmarked for pesticide container recycling shall be required to reimburse the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services the full amount of funding misappropriated.

Annual written reports that provide a brief overview of recycling activities shall be sent to the Environmental Programs Manager of the Pesticide Section, North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services by February 10th of each year. The mailing address is:

**1090 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-1090.**

Also, copies of original invoices and checks accounting for funds spent are required from the county or region by February 10th of each year until all the money is spent. These invoices and checks should be sent to the address listed above.

Questions? Call us if you have questions on granting requirements or the instructions for requesting funds: North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Pesticide Section, at 919-733-3556.