



# KOOTENAI COUNTY

## SOLID WASTE

### Media Release

**Date: September 29, 2014**

**Re: Grand Opening: Chilco Rural Residential Solid Waste Collection Site**

The Kootenai County Solid Waste Department is pleased to announce the opening of the Chilco Rural Residential Solid Waste Collection Site on October 1, 2014. The Chilco Rural Collection site, located at 20835 N. Ramsey Road, Rathdrum will be staffed seven days per week from 8:00 AM until 5:00 PM. The Garwood and Twin Lakes sites will close permanently at 5:00 PM on September 30, 2014.



The new site is on county-owned property and consolidates the existing Garwood and Twin Lakes collection sites. The Chilco site is designed to handle the capacity of the two former sites. Planning for the new site commenced in 2011, with the adoption of a Rural Systems Strategy approved by the Board of County Commissioners. The strategy addresses long-range planning for the rural residential collection sites.

Prior to the opening of the Chilco site, there were 14 rural collection sites with only three on property owned by Kootenai County. In order to provide permanent collection sites, construct improvements and allow for the expansion of services, such as recycling, it was determined that property should be acquired and four sites should be consolidated.

A ribbon cutting ceremony was held at the new Chilco Rural Residential Solid Waste Collection Site with the Board of County Commissioners on September 29, 2014.

The new Chilco site was designed by T-O Engineers, Inc. and constructed by Coeur d'Alene Paving, Inc.

The next sites being considered for consolidation are located in the Rose Lake area. The Solid Waste Department is currently working on options and communicating with local citizens prior to finalizing any plans.



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