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NEWS RELEASE

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County Recycles Holiday Trees!

To help make the holidays greener, the Solid Waste Division of the Department of Environmental Management will offer Treecycling!

Between 12/26/13 and 1/31/14, please leave trees in the designated areas (***not in the rubbish chutes***) at any of these County Solid Waste Division Facilities:

West Hawai'i Locations:

West Hawai'i Organics Facility (Pu'uanahulu), Ka'auhuhu/Hāwī, Kailua-Kona (Kealakehe), Keauhou, Ke'ei, Puakō, Waimea and Wai'ōhinu.

East Hawai'i Locations:

East Hawai'i Organics Facility (Hilo), Honoka'a, Kea'au, and Pāhoa,

Trees should be free from all decorations, lights, tinsel and ornaments. Please do not drop off artificial or flocked trees. **The Solid Waste Facility Attendants will direct the public to the proper drop-off point.** For more information or a map and directions to drop-off locations, go to <http://www.hawaiizerowaste.org/facilities/>

Mahalo for recycling and keeping these resources out of the landfills!

Also, please recycle your Kadomatsu decorations which are normally a combination of bamboo, pine and flowers. Kadomatsu is a tradition that began 600 years ago in Japan as a way of offering luck in the New Year.

For more information on Recycling in Hawai'i County, visit www.hawaiizerowaste.org or call our Solid Waste Division Office at 961-8270.