



MAEAP Clean Sweep

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The Michigan Clean Sweep Program helps protect the state's natural resources by facilitating the proper disposal of outdated, unused, or unwanted pesticides. Permanent pesticide drop-off sites, operated by local staff and frequently coordinated with local hazardous waste programs, have been key to the program's success. The state's conservation districts help arrange many satellite collections, in partnership with local health departments and permanent collection sites. This increases the area and number of people the program can serve. Pesticide disposal costs are covered by the Michigan Agriculture Environmental Assurance Program (MAEAP).

IMPACT FOR MICHIGAN:

The Michigan Clean Sweep program makes it easier for farmers and other homeowners to dispose of pesticides from old barns, basements, homes, and sheds. Investigations of environmental contamination from chemicals can cost tens of millions of dollars, last for many years, and require remediation that may cost more than the investigation. This program helps ensure that the state and its citizens avoid additional costs of accidents, fires, floods, and other disasters.

2022 ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- Satellite collections held in 18 additional counties.
- The program collected 207,579 pounds of pesticides for proper disposal - the third-highest amount collected since the program's inception.

MEASURING SUCCESS:

Metric	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Clean Sweep permanent sites	18	17	17	18	18	18
Clean Sweep satellite counties	19	13	17	13	16	18
Pesticides collected (pounds)	194,039	184,081	224,922	160,218	220,415	207,579
Disposal program costs covered (dollars)	\$200,000	\$230,952	\$270,845	\$168,690	\$224,999	\$223,492

2023 PROGRAM GOALS:

- Add one to two additional permanent sites.
- Increase outreach for collection to 20 satellite counties.
- Investigate options to stabilize the per-pound cost for disposal of product.
- Collect and dispose of 230,000 pounds of pesticides.

KEY STAKEHOLDERS:

- Agriculture industry groups
- Michigan agribusiness
- Greenhouse industry
- Residential pesticide users
- Local hazardous waste program

LEGAL AUTHORITY:

- Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, Public Act 451 of 1994, Part 82 (Conservation Practices) and Part 87 (Groundwater and Freshwater Protection), as amended
- Public Acts 1 and 2 of 2011, as amended

