Nez Perce Tribe Recycling Program Newsletter—February 2023

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Nez Perce Tribe Water Resources Division - Solid Waste and Recycling Program

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On February 8th we loaded and sent another 18 tons of cardboard to a mill to be made into new paper products! That is \$900 that was not spent paying the landfill to dump it! And the money from the mill should cover the cost to ship it!



Spotlight

Did you know?

The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality recently awarded \$43,000 to the Nez Perce Tribe to support aluminum, plastic, and cardboard recycling recovery.

The grant will go towards the purchase of a new baler for compressing and compacting recycled items.

The Tribe has used a single baler for cardboard, aluminum, and plastic waste for several years. The new baler will increase the total recovery of those materials and provide for more compact shipments and material specific loads.

We estimate that with a new baler, total recycling baled will nearly double, from 4 to 5 bales per month to as many as eight bales per month – diverting an estimated 530 tons of waste from the landfill over the next ten years. The new baler will also reduce fuel costs associated with transporting recycled items to processing facilities. We hope to order the baler this spring and have it working by next fall!

"Talkin' Trash"

Get Ready for



During Spring Break!

NPTHA's Spring Housing
Cleanup will be
March 27th to April 3





Lapwai Recycling Schedule

Community Recycling
February 9 & 23
Páyniwaas Parking Lot , 11 am—1 pm

Office Collections
February 2 & 16



