



# Nez Perce Tribe Recycling Program Newsletter—Nov. 2021

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- Respect and take care of the earth.



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

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Does anyone else have a plastic bag full of plastic bags in their house, or is it just me?

## REMINDER—You Can Recycle Plastic Bags and Film through our recycling program!!

**What can you recycle?** Grocery bags • Bread bags • Bubble wrap • Ice bags • Dry cleaning bags • Newspaper sleeves • Plastic shipping envelopes • Produce bags • Case overwrap • Wood pellet bags • Pallet wrap & stretch film • Salt bags • Some cereal bags • Ziploc and other re-closable food storage bags • Plastic film with symbols: 2 & 4

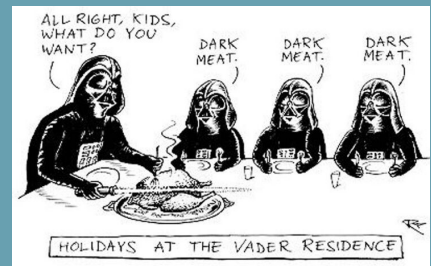


**Where do our plastic bags and film go?** We joined a Trex recycling program and send our plastic bags and film to Trex through their corporate arrangement with Winco. We take large bags of plastic to Winco and they ship it to Trex.

**What is Trex doing with it?** Trex is making composite, eco-friendly decking using reclaimed wood that would otherwise end up in the landfill. They turn it into sawdust that is then combined with recycled plastic film from a variety of sources. The film is then cleaned and ground into granules. Plastic granules and sawdust are combined and heated to a soft consistency then formed into boards, which are then cooled and cut to length. Trex saves 500 million+ pounds of plastic film and wood from landfills each year.

- A standard 16-foot Trex board contains recycled material from approximately 2,250 plastic bags.
- The average 500 square-foot composite Trex deck contains more than 140,000 recycled plastic bags, films, and wraps.

## “Talkin’ Trash”



## Honoring All Veterans on Veterans Day

*We thank you for your service and sacrifices. We are forever grateful!*

## Lapwai Recycling Schedule

### Community Recycling

November 4 & 18

Páyniwaas Parking Lot , 11 am—1 pm

### Office Collections

November 10 & 24



Qe'ciyéw'yew' - We appreciate your recycling efforts!