

County aims recycling programs at extending life of local dumps

SANTA CRUZ — Beginning in May, the county will launch an ambitious recycling program aimed at extending the life of the county's two dumps.

The new programs include curbside pickup of cans, glass and newspapers in Live Oak, buy-back centers in the San Lorenzo Valley and a countywide used motor-oil recycling program.

To help publicize the new programs, Ecology Action Center will hold a week-long resource rally at the Capitola Mall May 7-13. Information booths, displays, contests and prizes are part of the program.

The push to recycle is targeted to help alleviate the crush at the Ben Lomond and Buena Vista dumps. According to the Planning Department, the Buena Vista dump is expected to reach capacity by 1985 and the Ben Lomond facility in three to five years.

Starting May 5, the San Lorenzo Valley recycling program will go into operation. Residents of the Valley and Bonny Doon will receive cash for glass containers, cans and newspapers brought to buy-back centers in Felton, Ben Lomond and Boulder Creek. The centers will be oper-

ated by the Valley Women's Club, Felton 4-H, Ben Lomond Library, Ben Lomond Fire Department Ladies' Auxiliary and North-Central Disposal Co. They will be open Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

On May 21, Live Oak residents will be able to recycle by putting their newspapers, cans and glass containers at the front curb. Recyclable items will be picked up every other week on regular trash collection days. The program is jointly sponsored by the county and Central County Garbage Co.

Also in May, county residents will be able to recycle their used motor oil at various sites throughout the county including local service stations.