Wachusett Earthday Inc. is happy to announce that starting in August, and for the next 2 months, we're adding Latex/Acrylic Paint Collection to our services during regular hours on the 3rd Saturday of the month at Wachusett Watershed Regional Recycling Center.

Bring us your **latex, acrylic or water based paints.**

NO OIL BASED PAINT

August 21, September 18, October 16

Residents of our 7 member towns may bring us their latex, acrylic or water based paints in their original containers, on these days. Do not consolidate paints. Do not bring a can missing the original label or with an unreadable label.

How do you know if it's water or oil based?

Water based will have "latex," "water based," or "acrylic" on the label.Water based paint cleans up with just soap and water. If none of these words are found, we must assume it is oil based.

Oil based will have "oil based" or "alkyd" on the label. It may also say "flammable" or "combustible". Oil based paint requires cleanup with paint thinner, turpentine, mineral spirits, or solvent. NOTE: Latex Alkyds are considered oil based due to the addition of the alkyd.

If you cannot read the label, it has no label, or the paint has been consolidated, or is not in the original container, we must assume it is oil based. You can bring it to the Household Hazardous Waste collection scheduled for 9am to 1pm November 13, 2021.

Fees for the latex collection are the same as paint on hazardous waste days:

<3 Gallons $20	>3<10 Gallons $40	>10 to 25 Gallons $70

The paint is not being recycled but may be put out for reuse, else we will dry and dispose of it properly. Depending on how successful this is, we may be able to offer it beyond October and/or by appointment. Please help us be a success by not bringing any hazardous waste or unreadable paint cans on these non HHP days.