# DEP MECYCLES



### **SUMMARY**

The Yampa Valley Recycles Depot (YVR Depot) is a convenient year-round outlet for hard-to-recycle materials that currently accepts batteries, electronics, light bulbs, mattresses, and other items for recycling. The YVR Depot is located in Steamboat Springs and is operated by Yampa Valley Sustainability Council (YVSC), in partnership with City of Steamboat Springs and Routt County. The YVR Depot was opened on December 1, 2021 at 1801 Lincoln Avenue. At the end of 2022, the YVR Depot moved to its current winterized location at 2851 Riverside Plaza, Unit 250A, and is open Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 10am-4pm. Since its opening, the YVR Depot has enabled over 1500 Routt County residents and visitors to recycle over 22 tons of electronics, and more, underlining the value and ongoing benefit this recycling outlet provides to the community. This 2022 Annual Report summarizes YVR Depot's impacts and key takeaways for 2022, including December 2021.

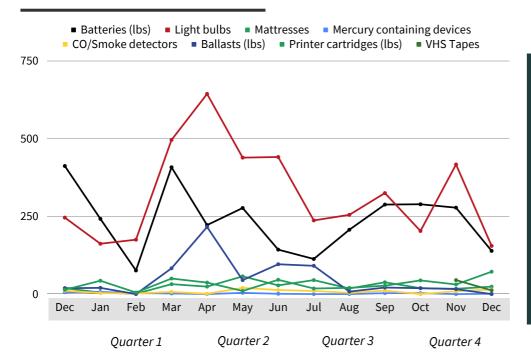






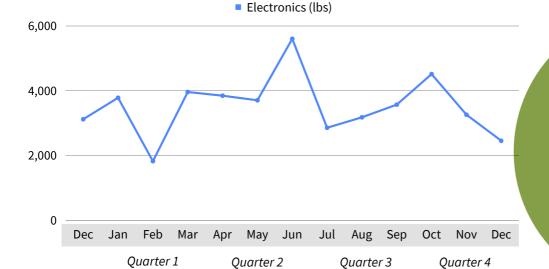
# **METRICS**

# **Materials Diverted**



# 2022 Totals

Electronics (lbs)	45,655
Batteries (lbs)	3,094
Light bulbs	4,195
Mattresses	327
Devices with mercury	30
CO/Smoke detectors	106
Ballasts (lbs)	634
Printer cartridges (lbs)	397
VHS Tapes	57



**Emissions Avoided** 

17.42

Metric tons of CO2e

\*\*electronics recycling only

Equivalent to conserving **2,069** gallons of gasoline

# **Recycling Partners**

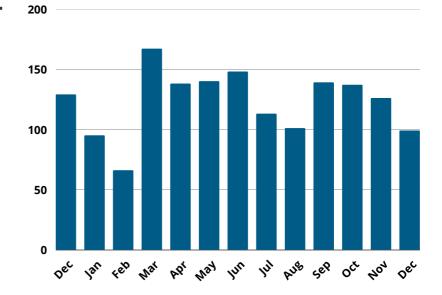
RECYCLERS	MATERIALS RECYCLED	FREQUENCY OF PICK UP
Blue Star Recyclers	ALL electronics	Every 6 weeks
Brite Ideas Light Bulb Recycling	Light Bulbs, Batteries, Printer Cartridges, Smoke Detectors, Mercury Containing Devices, Ballasts	Approximately every 6 weeks
Spring Back Colorado	Mattresses	Projecting 2-3 pick-ups per year

# **METRICS**

### **Customers Served in 2022**

# Steamboat Springs77%Greater Routt<br/>County14%Clark3%Oak Creek4%Hayden2%Total customers<br/>served1,595

# Total Customers Per Month in 2022



# 'Best Of' Testimonials

"Glad we can do this on our own time and do it correctly.

Thanks!"

"Great community asset, hope this continues-very affordable"

"So glad to have the ability to have this service available to our business and home"

# 2022 Highlights

- The YVR Depot moved to its current location at Riverside Plaza in November, allowing a more optimal space with heat, weather protection and improved parking.
- YVSC partnered with Horizons to hire George O'brien to assist at the YVR Depot every Wednesday.
- Of materials received, demand for electronics recycling is greatest.
- The busiest month of the year based on visitation was March while the slowest month was February. Materials followed a similar trend with the lowest volume of all materials received being in February and a peak in electronics received in June and all other materials in March/April.
- The majority of people utilizing this resource are City of Steamboat Springs residents by a large margin.