

Tillamook County Solid Waste

For more information about recycling or hazardous waste disposal:

Call (503) 815-3975 or email us at recycle@co.tillamook.or.us or visit our website at www.co.tillamook.or.us/solid-waste

Focus on Metal Recycling

Of all the types of recycling, the recycling of metals is one of the easiest and most common in our area. It's so common that metal represents about one third of the weight of materials recycled in **Tillamook County each** year – approx. 4700 tons each year.

Steel can be produced from iron ore or from scrap metal. Using iron ore requires not only the mining of ore, but also additives like limestone in the



process. The use of an electric arc furnace, on the other hand, requires only scrap metal to melt it into new steel.

An electric arc furnace also uses much less power in the process. In fact, currently the recycling of scrap metal in our country results in power savings equivalent to what's needed to power 18 million homes for a whole year.

All three of our county transfer stations accept scrap metal for recycling. You can do your part by recycling

your tinned cans, old bikes, metal parts, and anything else you have that was made of metal.

