

Media Advisory

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30 year Illegal dump site clean-up begins in Medicine Lodge, KS

Who: Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) and Barber County

What: Clean-up of a 30 year dump site in Medicine Lodge, Kansas. The site has approximately 300 tons of waste. KDHE invites Media to come to learn more about the site and our Illegal Dump Clean-Up program.

When/Where: January 18, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. The site is located about half a mile west of Medicine Lodge north of the intersection of HWY 160 and 281.

Information: KDHE and Barber County have worked out an agreement with a local contractor to clean up the site. Through the KDHE Illegal Dump Clean-Up Program, local governments are only required to pay 25 percent of the clean-up cost, while KDHE covers the other 75 percent. The contractor has agreed to donate the 25 percent of the cost back to the county, so the clean-up will take place at no cost to the county.

Please RSVP by January 16 if you plan to attend as this will be an active work zone. We want to plan accordingly for an increase in the number of people and vehicles at the site.

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