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New recycling stations prove popular

Nearly 3,500 kilograms of waste have been recycled over summer from recycling stations trialled at popular holiday spots in Selwyn.

The Council provided recycling stations at Coes Ford, Chamberlains Ford and Castle Hill Village over the summer school holiday period.

Rubbish bins were already provided at these sites but the new recycling stations provided an option to recycle various types of materials and allowed a total of 3,480kg of material to be recycled.

"Feedback about the recycling stations from campers and residents in these areas was very positive and the new stations encourage people to recycle their waste rather than putting it in a rubbish bin which ends up in a landfill," says Selwyn District Council Solid Waste Manager Andrew Boyd.

"Rubbish from busy camping spots can also be dumped elsewhere and end up spoiling our environment. The recycling stations provide people with a more responsible way of getting rid of glass bottles, drink cans, plastic containers and other recyclable material," he says.

Mr Boyd says most of the recycling material deposited in the new stations was correctly sorted by campers to avoid contaminating the recycling stream.

The recycling stations at Chamberlains and Coes Ford will remain at their current locations until mid-2016, so the Council can assess demand for them to remain at these locations on a more permanent basis.

The recycling station trial will continue at Castle Hill while the Council consults on options for a permanent recycling service at Castle Hill and Arthur's Pass.

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Photo attached: one of the new recycling stations at Coes Ford.

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