

**MNCC + MnDOT Compost Workshop:
*Understanding Current Compost Quality Control Systems in Minnesota***

Thursday, October 13, 2022
9am to Noon

[MnDOT Training and Conference Center - Shoreview](#)

Primary workshop objective: To compare the various compost standards and QC processes that are currently available

Intended workshop audiences: Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT), composters, contractors, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA), Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA), and soil labs.

Workshop Agenda:

1. Welcome – *Overview of National Compost Quality Control Systems*: Ginny Black, MNCC
2. Welcome – *MnDOT's Objectives*: Ken Graeve, MnDOT
3. MnDOT's APL current online form and approval process – Warren Tuel, MnDOT:
MnDOT's [Approved/Qualified Products List \(APL\) for Compost](#)
4. *MNCC White Paper on Compost Standards in MN* – Chuck Joswiak (MNCC)
5. *MPCA's Compost Regulations & Programs*:
 - a. *MPCA Compost Regulatory Programs Overview and the Solid Waste Compost Rule* – Tim Farnan (MPCA)
 - b. *Feedlots and Manure Compost Regulations* – George Schwint (MPCA)
 - c. *Stormwater Management and the Role of Compost* – Mike Trojan (MPCA)
6. *[MDA's Fertilizer & Soil Amendment Labeling Program](#)* – Jeppe Kjaersgaard, MDA

Break

7. Brief summaries by individual composters about their own compost QA/QC systems:
 - a. *Western Lake Superior Sanitary District (WLSSD)* – Tim Lundell, WLSSD
 - b. *Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community (SMSC)* – Erin Skelly, SMSC
 - c. *Specialized Environmental Technologies (SET)* – Chuck Joswiak, SET
8. Wrap up and adjourn – Ginny Black, MNCC and Ken Graeve, MnDOT