

# NEW MEXICO COMPOST FACILITY LIST

(UPDATED May 2011)

## **Albuquerque/Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority, Soils Amendment Facility**

7401 Access Road NW

Albuquerque, NM 87102

4201 2nd St. SW (waste water treatment plant)

Albuquerque, NM 87105

Contact: Joe Bailey, Supervisor

E-mail: [jbailey@abcwua.org](mailto:jbailey@abcwua.org)

Phone: 505-205-5721 or 505-873-6989

Feedstocks: 20% solids (municipal biosolids), waste horse stable bedding, pulverized green waste, bark fines and chips

Quantity produced: 45,000 cu. yds. per year capacity ; Types of Equipment: Scarab Model 18, two Sludge Systems International compost mixers, Wildcat Model 6-160 trommel screen, two Michigan I-120 loaders, tractor with sweeper and vacuum attachments.

Application: City Parks and medians, school campuses, Kirtland AFB turf, Veteran's Administration hospital turf, private applications via marketing contract and associated retail outlets.

## **Artesia, City of**

P.O Drawer 1310

Artesia, NM 88210

Contact: Michael Stroud

Phone: 575-746-9651

E-mail: [mstroud@artesianm.com](mailto:mstroud@artesianm.com)

Feedstocks: drying bed biosolids, sometimes wood chip, grass & leaves

Quantity: 200 metric tons per year

Application: Chase Farms (Pecan Trees), give away to Public Parks & Recreation

Equipment: Brown Bear Turner, plans to purchase Trommel Screen, 2 skid steers  
(Facility is permitted for composting WWTP biosolids with yard trimmings; however they are only composting biosolids)

## **Belen, City of**

100 South Main Street

Belen, NM 87002

Contact: Dale Tafoya, Waste Water Plant Superintendent

Phone: 505-864-6081

E-mail: [dale.tafoya@belen-nm.gov](mailto:dale.tafoya@belen-nm.gov)

Feedstocks: Biosolids, Green Waste

Application: City Projects

Equipment: Front End Loader with Brown Bear

## **Barela Landscaping**

7713 Bates Rd. SE

Albuquerque, NM 87105

Contact: Eddie Barela, owner

E-mail: [cb0513@myway.com](mailto:cb0513@myway.com)

Phone: 505-877-8522

Feedstocks: yard trimmings, steer manure, dairy manure, chili peelings

Quantity produced: 40,000 cu. yds. per year

**Barela Timber Management Co.**

Contact: Ralph Barela

[viga@newmexico.com](mailto:viga@newmexico.com)

699 Harlan Dr.

Las Vegas, NM 87701

Phone: 505-617-1966, 505-425-9479, 505-454-4311

60,000 cu. yds. Capacity

Compost, Colored Mulches, Aged Mulch, Vigas

**Biogrind**

Contact: Roger Allen, 575-937-3690

Email: [realwoodra@yahoo.com](mailto:realwoodra@yahoo.com)

P.O. Box 1144

Ruidoso, NM 88355

Owner: Jeff Shaw, 575-937-1626

Feedstocks: Assorted organics, forest thinning material, Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority organics, horse stable bedding, coffee grounds

**Carlsbad, City of**

P.O. Box 1569

Carlsbad, NM 88221

Contact: Art Sena

Phone: 575-887-5412

E-mail: [wastewater@carlsbadnm.com](mailto:wastewater@carlsbadnm.com)

Preparing permit for Biosolids/Yard trimmings compost facility

Applications: Land application Pecos Valley, homes & gardens, City golf course greens, parks, and fairways, sod farm, tree nursery

Equipment: Tubgrinder, Erin Star Screen, Brown Bear

Quantity: 180 cu. yds. Per year

**Desert Rock (*Unknown Status*)**

2600 Idalia

Rio Rancho, NM 87124

Contact: Steve or Terri Espinosa

Fax: 505-892-9865

E-Mail: [tpe05@msn.com](mailto:tpe05@msn.com)

Quantity: 400 cubic yards per year (6 mo. per year)

Applications: Homeowners, landscapers

**Garcia Landscape Materials**

Contact: Bobby Garcia

Los Luceros, NM

Phone: 505-852-2569

Feedstocks:

Quantity Produced:

**Gardner's Turf Grass, Inc.**

Dave Landess, Farm manager

Phone: 915-422-8200

E-mail: [sluther@gardnerturf.com](mailto:sluther@gardnerturf.com)

5590 Mc Nutt Rd.

P.O. Box 18

Santa Teresa, NM 88008

Feedstocks: Chicken manure from McAnnely Egg GT 20 Tons per day

Applying to grass; some compost is sold

**High Desert Worm Ranch**

***Out of Business- worms killed by worming agent***

P.O. Box 600

McIntosh, NM 87032-0600

Contact Person: Kate Heath, Owner

Phone: 505-384-5302

E-mail: [Kate@HighDesertWorms.com](mailto:Kate@HighDesertWorms.com)

Feedstocks: Stable Bedding (horse manure with limited straw), newspaper

Quantity Produced: 40 Beds @30 cu. ft. /bed = 1800 cu ft/yr or 70 cu. yds/yr.

Equipment: trommel screen for worm separation

\*Worms and castings available for sale.

**Holloman Air Force Base**

49 CES/CEV

550 Tabosa Ave.

Holloman AFB, NM 88330-8458

Contact Person: Patrick Jenkins

Phone: 575-572-3931

E-mail: [Patrick.jenkins@holloman.af.mil](mailto:Patrick.jenkins@holloman.af.mil)

Feedstocks: Yard trimmings, blue trimmings, and scrap lumber

Quantity Produced: 240 Tons/year

Types of Equipment: Olathe Tub grinder, large Vermeer grinder and Bobcat Model 753

Application: On Base

**Las Cruces, City of**

P.O. Box 20,000

Las Cruces, NM 88004

Contact: Klaus Kemmer, Director of Solid Waste or Jim Maese

Phone: 575-528-3543

E-mail: [klaus.Kemmer@lascruces.org](mailto:klaus.Kemmer@lascruces.org)

Comments: Biosolids at WWTP are still going to the sludge injection site. Most yard trimmings are chipped and then used as erosion control for old landfill closure or composted via windrows/static piles.

Feedstocks: yard waste, grass

Quantity received: 5000 T/year

Quantity compost produced (finished): approx. 2000 T/year

Application: general public and City projects

**Lincoln County Composting** (unknown status of operation)  
Harlan & Rhonda Vincent (Owners) 575-378-8538 Business office  
HCR 46 Box 1531  
Ruidoso Downs, NM 88346  
[Rhondita@beyondbb.com](mailto:Rhondita@beyondbb.com)

**Los Alamos, County of**

901 Trinity Drive  
Los Alamos, NM 87544  
Contact: Leroy Chacon  
Phone: 505-663-1920  
E-mail: [leroy.chacon@lacnm.us](mailto:leroy.chacon@lacnm.us)  
Feedstocks: yard trimmings, biosolids, stable waste  
Quantity produced: 50 Tons/year (finished) April thru October only due to cold temperature in winter. Biosolids will be increasing 5-10x (may need carbon source) in coming year due to improvement of effluent. Going from 60 to 16% solids so more moisture as well. Los Alamos building new security entrance so they have to relocate facility. Probably will require a new permit or modification.  
Equipment: Morbark Hog Grinder, loaders, mechanical brush for cleaning roads  
Application: Class A Biosolids/yard waste compost, 30% given away to general public, 30% sold @\$28/ton to landscapers, 30% to Parks & Recreation

**Midwest Bio-Systems**

3333 Majestic Ridge -207B  
Las Cruces, NM 88011  
Contact: Greg Berry  
Phone: 575-521-3692 Fax 521-3699  
E-mail: [gberry@totacc.com](mailto:gberry@totacc.com)  
Applications: Composting systems, microbe applications and Aeromaster turning equipment, Compost and balanced soil fertility consulting.

**Nature's Way Compost** (bought out Miller's Compost)

*Unknown Status – Rick Cox is out of business*  
750 S. Bosque Loop  
Bosque Farms, NM 87068  
Contact: Rick Cox  
Phone: 505-869-1051 Cell: 505-249-1357  
[tchadcox@abq.com](mailto:tchadcox@abq.com)  
Feedstocks: Dairy manure, sawdust, straw & hay  
Quantity produced: 4,000 cubic yards per year  
Equipment: Sandberger tractor pulled turner  
Application: landscapes, gardeners, farmers

**Mountain Rich Soils**

HCR 74, Box 22612  
El Prado, NM 87529  
Contact: Dave West  
Phone: 505-758-4150  
Email: [growfoodnow@tierralucero.org](mailto:growfoodnow@tierralucero.org)  
Feedstocks: alfalfa, forest waste, manure, straw, humates,  
Production: approx. 10,000 cu. yds. per year

**Naturally New Mexico Foods, Inc.**

P.O. Box 787

El Rito, NM 87530 (Site is presently in El Rito)

Contact: Donald Martinez

Phone: 888-393-7845

E-mail: [zenitram@cybermesa.com](mailto:zenitram@cybermesa.com)

Feedstocks: Primarily dairy manure

Quantity produced: 3,000-5,000 tons per year in NM

Equipment: Self-propelled 10 & 12' Fletcher Simms turners, Massey Ferguson 3 yd. Loader, International 32' end-dump, Case Loader

Application: landscapers, home gardeners, small organic farms, Nurseries, some to farms

**New Mexico Compost** (bought out by Soilutions, Inc.)

Alameda, NM

Contact: Dave Harris, owner

Phone: 505-898-4346

Feedstocks: stall waste, grass, leaves

Quantity produced: 2000-3000 cu. yds. per year

Types of Equipment:

**New Mexico State University**

NMSU-OFS; MSC- 3545

P.O. Box 30001

Las Cruces, NM 88003-8001

Contact: Art Lucero

Phone: 575-635-6091

E-mail: [artl@nmsu.edu](mailto:artl@nmsu.edu)

Feedstocks: yard trimmings, pecan hulls & pecan prunings, manure, grass, cafeteria food scraps

Quantity: 250 tons / year

Type of Equipment: Bearcat Grinder, Bobcat skid loader model 763H multi material handling bucket, model G-30 Auger Dog (Midwest Auger) compost turner (attaches to Bobcat), 4 yd. case loader

Application: Campus turf and landscaping

Comments: The University wants to demonstrate the value of an integrated approach to solid waste management by recycling industrial and agricultural organic waste back onto the campus and by supporting a composting research program.

Types of Equipment: New Windrow Turner, New John Deer Tractor

**Recon, Inc.**

Contact: Larry Shafkind

Phone: 602-437-4393

Fax: 602-957-6885

E-mail: [mail@recon-phx.com](mailto:mail@recon-phx.com)

Address: 3104 East Camelback Road #507

Phoenix, AZ 85016

Feedstocks: forest products, sawmill waste

Quantity Available for sale: They do not produce compost. Procure from other vendors.

Equipment Used: Discs, rototiller, some crimped straw for application

Comment: Company is only a vendor. Completed several successful jobs with NMDOT.

### **Sandoval County Landfill**

Contact: Buster Roseberry

Phone: 505-269-6120

E-mail: [rmsanchez@sandovalcounty.com](mailto:rmsanchez@sandovalcounty.com)

Feedstocks: Green waste, cow manure, horse manure

Future feedstocks to include biosolids and municipal solid waste

Quantity Produced: to be determined

Equipment: 5 in-vessel aerated static piles designed by Renewable Carbon Management -

Expansion to 25 digesters planned

Application: county projects, general public

### **Santa Ana Pueblo**

Department of Natural Resources

02 Dove Road

Santa Ana Pueblo, NM 87004

Contact: Deborah Goss

505-771-6771

Email: [deborah.goss@santaana-nsn.gov](mailto:deborah.goss@santaana-nsn.gov)

Feedstocks: Biosolids, Green Waste

### **Santa Fe, City of**

73 Paseo Real

Santa Fe, NM 87507

General Information 505-955-4650

Contact: Sherman Bilbo, Compost

Phone: 505-955-4681

E-mail: [swbilbo@santafenm.gov](mailto:swbilbo@santafenm.gov)

Website: [www.santafenm.gov/compost](http://www.santafenm.gov/compost)

Feedstocks: wood chips, biosolids, horse stable bedding

Quantity produced: 30,000-35,000 Cubic Yards per year will eventually be produced

Equipment: Roto-Mix, Windrow Turner, Front End Loader, Trommel Screen, Dumptruck

Application: Sod in City Parks, Erosion Control, City/County/State Projects, NMDOT Roadside Reclamation, Landscaping companies, Contractors, General Public

The composting operation processes all biosolids with appropriate high-carbon feedstocks to produce a marketable soil conditioner product. (**Screened Compost \$11.50/cubic yard**; **Unscreened Compost \$9.00/cubic yard**; **Compost Overs \$6.00/cubic yard**)

### **Santa Fe Solid Waste Management Agency**

#### **Caja del Rio Landfill**

149 Wildlife Way

Santa Fe, NM 87507

Contact: Randall Kippenbrock, Executive Director

E-mail: [rkippenbrock@sfswwma.org](mailto:rkippenbrock@sfswwma.org)

Phone: 505-424-1850 ext. 100 or 505-820-0208 (Transfer Station)

Feedstocks: ground green waste and horse manure / stable bedding

Qty Produced: Actual 2004 = 10,000 Tons

Types of Equipment: 2 Bandit 3680 grinders, 2 Cat 950G Loaders, Duratech 7216 Trommel Screen.

Application: DOT Erosion Control Compost, currently some sales sold as mulch. If loaded, charge for compost is \$6 / cu. yd.; screened compost is \$10 / cu. yd. Mulch \$2 / cu. yd.

**Sierra Contracting, Inc.**

P.O. Box 935

Alto, NM 88312

Contact: Paul Wetzell

Phone: 575-378-1091

E-mail: [vanpatton4923@yahoo.com](mailto:vanpatton4923@yahoo.com)

Feedstocks: Green waste, slash

Application: FINISHED COMPOST 2500 yds. To Village Parks & Recreation, 10,000 cu. yds.

To Highway 70, Mesilla Valley 5000 to 6,000 cu. yds.

Incoming waste 60,000 cu. yds. /year taken in or 600 trucks @ 100 cu. yds.

Quantity Produced: Finished Compost 12-16,000 cu. yds. per year

**Sierra Vista Growers**

P.O. Box 225

Chamberino, NM 88027

Contact: Kent Halla or Steve Kaeppler

Phone: 575-589-3924 or Kaeppler Cell @ 575-644-2874 Nursery 575-874-2415

[chamberino@starband.net](mailto:chamberino@starband.net) or [laayudaani3@earthlink.net](mailto:laayudaani3@earthlink.net)

Feedstocks: Horse bedding with sawdust, pallet chips, assorted organic material, etc., from training stables, manure, alfalfa, switching to chicken manure for less salt content in windrows.

NMSU Research Project - dairy manure will be composted in digesters to dilute salts and methane produced to heat greenhouses (unknown project status)

Quantity Produced: 15,000 cu. yds. / year

Equipment: HCL Machine Works Digesters (4) @200 feet each – planned.

Currently windrowing as well

Application: Product used on site and some sold to landscapers

**Soilutions, Inc.**

P.O. Box 1479

Tijeras, NM 87059

9008 Bates Road, SE (no zip - Delivery address)

Albuquerque, NM

Contact: Jim Brooks, Misch Lehrer, Walter Dods

Phone: 505-877-0220 or 505-281-8425

E-mail: [walter@soilutions.net](mailto:walter@soilutions.net)

Feedstocks: Yard trimmings, selected animal manures, stall bedding, agricultural and food processing residuals

Quantity Produced: 5,000-10,000 cu. yds. annually

Types of equipment: Front-end loader/backhoe, screen, brush grinder

Application: Erosion control and food production

Method: Static Piles

Products Available: Premium Compost, soil blends, mulches, NMDOT erosion control products, composting worms, green waste, food waste and C&D recycling services

Comments: Company is actively pursuing nitrogen sources as well as distributorships in New Mexico.

### **Tucumcari, City of**

Box 1188

Tucumcari, NM 88401

(Facility next to WWTP)

Contact: Joe Ramirez, WWTP Superintendent or John Southerland

Phone: 575-461-4542

E-mail: [jramirez@cityoftucumcari.com](mailto:jramirez@cityoftucumcari.com)

Feedstocks: yard trimmings, WWTP biosolids, small amt. of water

Quantity Produced: 40 cubic yards per month projected

Application: golf course, parks, mulch to citizens, ball fields, cemetery

Equipment: Haybuster model 8 Tubgrinder, Bobcat loader 7753 with industrial grapple, processing concrete slab with drains to sludge drying beds.

Comments:

### **Grow-Well, Inc. (Previously Western Organics)**

9000 Bates SE

Albuquerque, NM 87105

Contact: David Hanchett, Division Mgr. or Jeff Miksch [jmiksch@growell.com](mailto:jmiksch@growell.com)

Phone: 505-877-8670 or 1-800-955-3245 or 505-877-8672 for wholesalers

Email: [jadams@westernorganics.com](mailto:jadams@westernorganics.com)

Feedstocks: yard trimmings, stall bedding, sawmill waste, bark, dairy manure, zeolites - custom designed mixes (blending & processing facility).

Company markets compost produced from Albuquerque Co-Composting facility as *Rio Grande Compost (Rowlands Nursery)* and as *Omni (Lowe's, Home Depot, Wal-Mart)*.

Quantity Produced: 300,000+ cu. Yds. Per year

Types of equipment: extensive

Application: Wholesale, retail, golf courses and other turf grass applications, etc.

## **Compost facilities near New Mexico**

### **A-1 Organics, Inc.**

16350 WCR76

Eaton, Colorado 80615

Contact: Scott Ramer

Email: [scottramer@a1organics.com](mailto:scottramer@a1organics.com)

Phone: 303-710-9125

Feedstocks: assorted dairy wastes, biosolids, yard waste, mulch

Quantity Produced: Greater than 100,000 cu. yds. per year

Application: commercial development, Colorado Dot, etc.

### **Back to Nature (Slaton, TX – just east of Lubbock)**

806-745-1833

Contact: Warren Johnson

### **Discount Materials**

4705 West Industrial

Midland, Texas 79703

Contact: Steve Clabaugh

Phone: 432-520-2034

Email: [steve@discountmaterialsonline.com](mailto:steve@discountmaterialsonline.com)



Quantity Produced: 100,000 cu. yds. per year  
Applications: TXDOT, Landscapers, Homeowners, Farm & Ranch  
Feedstocks: green waste and cow manure  
STA Certified with US Composting Council

### **Soil Mender Products**

Greg Birkenfield-Owner  
1-800-441-2498 or 806-627-4276  
Tulia Texas  
Product is dairy manure and cotton gin trash  
[www.soilmender.com](http://www.soilmender.com)

### **Mountain Valley Lumber**

P.O. Box 405  
Saguache, CO 81149  
719-655-2400 Off. 719-655-2401 Fax.  
John Baxter owner  
[mlv@fone.net](mailto:mlv@fone.net)  
2000 cu. yds. /year but increasing in next year

### **Natural Fertilizer Company** (West of Amarillo)

P.O. Box 61  
Wildorado, TX 79098  
806-426-3320  
STA Approved-Interested in supplying compost to NMDOT  
Contact: Shannon Leavitt  
E-mail: [leavittsix@cs.com](mailto:leavittsix@cs.com)

### **Rocky Mountain Soils**

4903 South Hwy 17  
P.O. Box 514  
Alamosa, Co. 81101  
Contact: Bobby Garcia 719-852-2569 or Bob Cook 719-589-9337  
or Wilder Landscaping, Santa Fe Greenhouses, Wal-Mart  
Product is Mushroom Compost 2-4-2 high iron & micronutrients  
(\$15 per ton at Alamosa)

### **Southern Colorado Farms**

P.O. Box 416  
Center, CO 81125  
719-754-2940 Off. 719-754-2946 Fax 719-588-0227 Cell  
Amy Kunugi or Phil

**If you would like to update, add, delete, or correct information included in this listing or need information on Compost Operator Certification Classes, contact Greg Baker at the New Mexico Environment Department, Solid Waste Bureau 827-2780 e-mail: [tim.gray@state.nm.us](mailto:tim.gray@state.nm.us)**