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
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 L-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
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
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
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  
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  
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  
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  
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
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
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
Feedstocks: Yard trimmings, tree 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
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

**Los Alamos, County of**
901 Trinity Drive
Los Alamos, NM 87544
Contact: Leroy Chacon
Phone: 505-663-1920
E-mail: 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
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
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
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
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
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
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
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
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
Website: 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@sfswma.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 Wetzel
Phone: 575-378-1091
E-mail: 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 or 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
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
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
Phone: 505-877-8670 or 1-800-955-3245 or 505-877-8672 for wholesalers
Email: 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 (Lowes, 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
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
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

Mountain Valley Lumber
P.O. Box 405
Saguache, CO 81149
719-655-2400 Off. 719-655-2401 Fax.
John Baxter owner
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

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