

## **NEW TENNESSEE WILDLIFE RESOURCES AGENCY COMPOST FACILITY IN MADISON COUNTY – COMMENTS WELCOME**

The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) Division of Solid Waste Management (DSWM) has tentatively decided to issue a solid waste Tier Two composting facility permit to the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency (TWRA). The waste material to be accepted and composted is deer carcass parts that result from deer processing operations.

The facility, identified as the TWRA Region 1 Wildlife Health Facility (CMP57000014), is to be located in Madison County, at 40 Highway 412 East, Jackson, Tennessee 38305 (latitude 35.675680 N/longitude -88.743596W). This permit would allow construction, operation, and closure of the Tier Two composting facility for waste materials classified as deer carcass parts resulting from deer processing operations and/or certain wastes having similar characteristics and approved in writing by TDEC. No hazardous wastes, as regulated by the Tennessee Hazardous Waste Management Act (Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-212-101, et. seq.) and the Rules adopted pursuant to the Act, shall be accepted for disposal at this facility. The official responsible for operation of the facility is Mr. Jeremy Dennison, TWRA Field Coordinator, 200 Lowell Thomas Drive, Jackson, Tennessee 38301 (731-234-0107).

DSWM has made a preliminary determination that TWRA's application meets the applicable requirements of Tennessee Rule Chapter 0400-11-01-.11, Requirements for Compost and Composting Facilities. Pending consideration of any comments received during the 45-day comment period, DSWM intends to issue this permit modification.

DSWM invites the public to review and submit comments on this proposal anytime during the 45-day comment period ending on Friday, October 7, 2022. Electronic copies of the application and draft permit documents are available online at [tn.gov/environment/notices/twrajackson](https://www.tn.gov/environment/notices/twrajackson) and the DSWM Central Office, William R. Snodgrass Tennessee Tower, 312 Rosa L. Parks Avenue, 14<sup>th</sup> Floor, Nashville, TN 37243 (615-532-0780). Paper copies may be reviewed at the Jackson-Madison County Public Library, 433 East Lafayette Street, Jackson, TN 38301 (731-425-8600) and the TDEC Jackson Environmental Field Office, 1625 Hollywood Drive, Jackson, Tennessee 38305 (731-512-1300).

To comment on the draft permit or request a public hearing on this issue, contact Jeremy Hooper in DSWM's Central Office at the TN Tower, 312 Rosa L. Parks Avenue, 14<sup>th</sup> Floor, Nashville, TN 37243 (615-686-7847), email [Jeremy.Hooper@tn.gov](mailto:Jeremy.Hooper@tn.gov) or fax 615-532-0938. Comments must be received by 4:30 p.m. CST on Friday, October 7, 2022 to assure consideration. A request for a public hearing must be in writing and state the nature of the issues proposed to be raised in the hearing. If a hearing is scheduled, another notice will be published at least 15 days in advance.

After considering all public comments, DSWM will make a final decision to issue or deny the permit. DSWM will provide notice of the final permit decision and a Response to Comments addressing all significant input received on the draft permit to the applicant and to each person who has submitted written comments. These documents will also be available online and at the repositories listed above.

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