



Yellowknife Centralized Compost Facility

OPEN HOUSE

The City of Yellowknife invites all residents to come see the new compost facility in action and learn about centralized composting!

In September, Yellowknife businesses, institutions and residents took an important step on the path to waste reduction with the start of the Yellowknife Centralized Composting Pilot Project!

On October 15th and 17th, the City of Yellowknife will be holding two open houses at its new compost facility to give project participants and the public an opportunity to see the facility and learn about centralized composting first-hand. Children are welcome!

Open House for Pilot Project Participants: Thursday, October 15th 3:00 pm

Open House for the Public: Saturday, October 17th 1:00 - 4:00 pm

Where: City of Yellowknife Centralized Compost Facility

(Located south of the Solid Waste Facility (landfill). Please access by entering the landfill site, and the Gatehouse Manager will direct you to the compost facility.)

Fifteen local businesses and institutions are currently separating organic materials such as food scraps and yard trimmings from the waste stream, and are placing these materials into special organics bins that are collected separately from garbage. These organic materials are delivered to the YK Centralized Compost Facility where they are combined with shredded paper and boxboard collected through recycling, and managed in covered windrows to produce finished compost. Collection of organics as part of this pilot project will take place from September 2009 to December 2010, and will divert approximately 650 tonnes of organic materials from the landfill. Finished compost produced in this project will be available for residents and businesses to purchase for use in their gardens and yards, and for use in City parks.

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