Iowa Waste Reduction Center Newsletter, April 2015

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First of all, Happy Earth Day! The theme for this month’s newsletter falls right in line with what today celebrates, literally. Compost!

To get started, we are so excited to announce an event we’ve been working behind the scenes to put together!

**FOOD WASTE COMPOST TRAINING**

*August 20, 2015 | University of Northern Iowa | Cedar Falls, IA*

Mark your calendars for this one-day event that will hone in on the fundamentals and key variables of the composting process, and how you can incorporate food waste. If you’re a farmer, landfill operator, or simply interested in composting at home, you won’t want to miss this event! We'll be sending a special edition newsletter in two weeks with more information!

**Compost Resources**

In addition, we have a couple of new resources to share with you this month.

**Selling Compost in Iowa Fact Sheet**

There are regulatory requirements for those that sell compost in Iowa. We put together this fact sheet to guide you in understanding the requirements. [Learn More](#)

**How to Start a Permit-by-Rule Composting Facility Video**

In this video, we walk you through how to set up a permit-by-rule compost facility in Iowa, specifically those that accept less than two tons of food or yard waste per week. [Learn More](#)

**Don't Forget**

2014 Minor Source Emission Inventories are due for western Iowa facilities not subject to the Title V Operating Permit Program by May 15! Visit [msei.iwrc.org](http://msei.iwrc.org) for resources, tutorials, calculators, and more.

**Upcoming Events**

[Renewable Energy, Iowa’s Antidegradation Policy & the New NPDES Reporting Rule](#)

April 28 | Ankeny, IA

[SMART Conference](#)

May 7 | Des Moines, IA
Industry News

| Food Waste |
**Wasted Food Pilots Raise Consumer Awareness**
The Food: Too Good to Waste initiative has been used throughout the country to guide households in reducing food waste, including in Iowa City. (Biocycle)

| Air Quality |
**Iowa’s 2015 Air Monitoring Network Plan Available for Public Review and Comment**
Public comments are due by May 20 on the 2015 plan. (Iowa DNR)

| Iowa Recycling Awards |
**Accepting Nominations for Excellence in Recycling Awards**
The Iowa Recycling Association is accepting applications until May 1 for their annual awards. (Iowa Recycling Association)

| Iowa Environmental Awards |
**Applications Now Being Accepted for the Iowa Environmental Excellence Awards**
Iowa businesses, communities and citizens have until May 20 to submit applications for the 2015 award. (Iowa DNR)

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