

WHAT DOES YOUR BONE PILE LOOK LIKE?

COMPOSTING WORKSHOP -OCTOBER 21, 2014

Presenting general composting principles -including animal mortality
composting



Marias River Electric Cooperative
910 W Roosevelt Hwy 2
Shelby, MT



NRCS, MSU Northern Ag Research, APHIS & Mt. Dept. of Livestock are holding a workshop to explain proper composting methods which will include managing animal carcass disposal. The objective of this workshop is to provide knowledge, tools, and resources to develop good compost and deter predators. Proper management & disposal of animal mortalities on the farm, ranch, or feedlot has important implications for nutrient management, water quality, animal health, and predator control. Karen Hoffman, NRCS Engineer & Julia Dafoe, MSU, will focus on building a functioning compost pile and managing carcass disposal on livestock facilities. Kraig Glazier, APHIS, will provide an update on predator control & how bone piles affect predator behavior. George Edwards, MT Dept. of Livestock, will explain their composting cost share program.

RSVP for \$5 lunch by October 15, 2015
Toole County Conservation District
1125 Oilfield Ave
Shelby MT
406-434-5234 ext 113 leave message

8:30 Registration
9:00a.m. - 9:15 a.m.—Introductions
Joyce Trevithick, NRCS Area Agronomist
9:15 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. - Composting 101
Julia Dafoe, MSU Research Associate Beef Cattle Nutrition
10:15 -11:00 - Mortality Composting Operation and Maintenance
Karen Hoffman/Julia Dafoe
11:00 p.m.-11:30 p.m. - NRCS Tools
Available for Implementing a Composting Facility
Karen Hoffman, NRCS Engineer
11:30 - 12:30 p.m. - Lunch
12:30 p.m.-12:45 p.m.- Regulations and Permitting Requirements
Karen Hoffman, NRCS Engineer
12:45 p.m. - 1:15 p.m. - Predators & Bone Piles
Kraig Glazier, APHIS Wildlife Biologist
1:15 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. - Cost Share Programs
George Edwards, Montana Dept. Of Livestock
1:45 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. Case Study/Questions
Julia Dafoe, MSU
Hand out references, resources, contact information

