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## Yolo County Landfill Offers Free Compost in April and May

(Woodland, CA) – During the months of April and May, the Yolo County Central Landfill, located at 44090 County Road 28H in Woodland, will be offering free compost to residents Monday – Saturday from 6:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and on Sunday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; no appointment is needed.

Upon entering the Central Landfill, residents must: show proof of residency such as a driver's license or utility bill; wear a mask; bring their own bags and shovels; and observe all local mandated physical distancing measures while on site. Residents are expected to bag and load the compost themselves.

The compost comes from the anaerobic composter cells that started operating at the Landfill in 2019. The composter has an annual total capacity of 52,000 tons and uses anaerobic bacteria to decompose organic waste, a mixture of green and food waste, in a sealed environment. This decomposition process takes less than six months to complete and provides many benefits including: diverting organic waste from the landfill, producing renewable energy, reducing water use and carbon emissions, and creating compost at a lower capital and operational cost.

For more information about Yolo County's Integrated Waste Management Division, including learning about the Central Landfill, visit: <u>https://www.yolocounty.org/landfill</u> or call: (530) 666-8852.

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