



Talking Trash

Our Mission

The Coastal Environmental Partnership's mission is to produce a cleaner, safer and healthier environment by providing, operating and managing an economically and technically sound municipal solid waste management system for the citizens of Carteret, Craven and Pamlico counties.

Did you know....

- ◆ Our compost is dirt cheap
- ◆ It costs a mere \$30 per ton
- ◆ That breaks down to 1.5 cents per pound
- ◆ You don't have to buy a ton but you do have to buy \$1's worth.

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Early Morning Composting

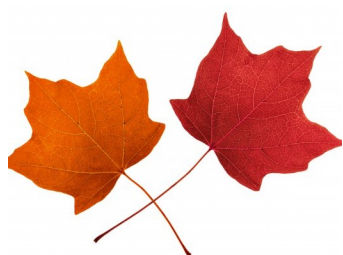


This picture was taken one morning as the sun was coming up and the windrows were a short time away from being turned. As the windrows are tended the internal temperature of the windrows begins to increase killing off weed seed and other undesirable matter. As the compost continues to decompose the windrows are kept moist and turned weekly to keep the process going. The material is screened through a machine known as a trammel screen. The trammel screen separates small particles of yard waste from large particles. With openings only 5/8ths of an inch in the screen, only very small particles are used for compost. The larger particles are sold as mulch.

Would you like to see our compost operation? We invite you to visit the landfill to see not only the compost area but all the other things we do.

You can learn about our history, how we dispose of your garbage and all the intricacies of solid waste management. You can also learn how landfill gas is made into electricity.

Tours are available and we would love to have you visit. Just give us a call—252-633-1564.



Getting Ready for America Recycles Day - Nov. 15

Local Government Recycling Update

N.C. Division of Environmental Assistance and Customer Service

[America Recycles Day](#) (ARD) is right around the corner! It will be observed Nov. 15. Public recycling programs are encouraged to use ARD to help promote the importance of recycling. Has your community started planning an ARD related event? If not, now is the time. ARD has several [toolkits](#) and [go-to guides](#) that will help you plan and manage your event! Remember, you must register your event to use the ARD logos. For event registration and more information click here: <https://americarecyclesday.org/>.



Attention local governments: we want to know what you're doing for ARD! Please follow us on Facebook and Twitter at @RecycleMoreNC and be sure to use the hashtags: #AmericaRecyclesDay #ARD #RecycleMoreNC #NCRecycles

Helping Public Recycling Programs Decrease Contamination

It is more important than ever before to focus on reducing contamination. Remember, recycling should **NOT** contain garbage, bagged recyclables, plastic bags or wraps, tangles (cords, hoses, wires, chains, electronics), clothing or linens, food or liquids, or medical waste.

For tools to help your recycling program fight contamination, visit the Recycling Partnership at: <https://tools.recyclingpartnership.org/contamination/>.

If your community needs assistance working on efforts to decrease contamination, the DEACS office is here to help! Contact Mindy Love, recycling outreach coordinator, at mindy.love@ncdenr.gov or (919)707-8127.

For information and materials about plastic bag recycling, please go to: <https://www.plasticfilmrecycling.org/> which offers a tool to help identify locations in your community where citizens can return plastic bags and film to retailers for recycling.

Holiday Destinations Visit our NC Green Treasures

On my list of favorite travel spots are our Aquariums. You will find all things green at these sites. Conservation of our beaches and marine life is priority.

The Aquariums were established in 1976 to promote an awareness, understanding, appreciation and conservation of the diverse natural and cultural resources of North Carolina's ocean, estuaries, rivers, streams and other aquatic environments.

Exhibits include sharks, sea turtles, reptiles and crustaceans. There are also mammals such as otters and beaver.

There is so much to do at our North Carolina Aquariums. These destinations are well worth your time. There are four aquariums in our state. They are located at Pine Knoll Shores, Roanoke Island, Fort Fisher and Jennette's Pier.



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