

# COMPOST Matters in Alberta

**JUNE 23<sup>RD</sup> & 24<sup>TH</sup> 2022**

**HIGHFIELD REGENERATIVE FARM**

**1920 HIGHFIELD CRESCENT SE, CALGARY, AB T2G 5M1**

**REGISTRATION FEE: \$140 (CCC MEMBERS) • \$225 (NON-MEMBERS)**

**Registration: 8:30am – 9am • EVENT BEGINS @ 9am**

## **A Review of the updated CODE OF PRACTICE FOR COMPOST FACILITIES**

*Alberta Environment and Parks (AEP) has updated the Code of Practice for Compost Facilities, reflecting latest composting standards including an updated Acceptable Feedstock List, as well as enhanced requirements related to odour management, water resource protection and setback distances. The updated Code will be reviewed with opportunity available for questions and detailed discussion.*

Richard Adjei, Senior Waste Policy Advisor, Waste Policy Section, Land Policy Branch, Alberta Environment and Parks

## **Labelling your Compost for Market Sales and Success**

*Whether sold as a soil amendment or fertilizer, all compost products must be properly labelled. During this session, we will be going through the key features and regulatory requirements for compost labels as detailed in the Canadian Food Inspection Agency's directives covering: Regulation of Compost, Safety Standards and Labelling Requirements for Fertilizers and Supplements.*

## **An Update on the Compostable Standard and Claims in Canada**

Susan Antler, Executive Director, The Compost Council of Canada

## **Tour of Highfield Regenerative Farm**

Envisioned by the City of Calgary to advance urban food production and to provide the public with opportunities to engage with urban agriculture, The Highfield Farm Project has been working to transform the 16-acre parcel of underutilized and degraded land in Calgary's industrial area into an urban farm. An initiative of the Compost Council of Canada through the support of amazing on-the-ground team leaders and the growing energy of community-minded volunteers, the site currently has 15,000 sq ft of garden space, over 200 members, and donates the majority of their production to food access organizations such as the Calgary Food Bank and the Mustard Seed.

Thursday Afternoon, June 23<sup>rd</sup>

## GETTING TO SOIL HEALTH – AN INTERACTIVE HANDS-ON WORK SESSION

Our session will include the following activities:

### I. Building the Johnson-Su Bioreactor Composting System

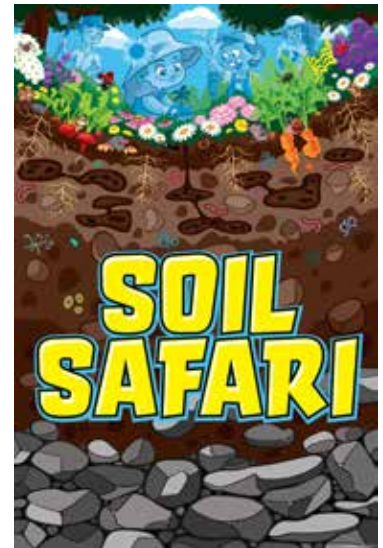
The Johnson-Su composting method creates compost teeming with microorganisms that improve soil health and plant growth and increase the soil's potential to sequester carbon. Low cost with easy-to-access materials, the bioreactor can be put together and ready to go with limited fuss. Learn-by-doing at this outdoor session.

### II. Gerry Gillespie's ZWIT Compost Inoculant

Founding member of Zero Waste International Alliance, Gerry Gillespie has developed a simple "compost tea" process. This session will involve going through the "how to" steps, with the recipes also being provided.

### III. The Compost Council's SOIL SAFARI

Learn about the life in our soil, the five principles of soil health and the important means for compost to contribute to improved soil vitality and productivity.



**PLUS ! Please plan to join us for the**  
**GRAND OPENING CELEBRATION**  
**OF HIGHFIELD FARM'S GREENHOUSE**  
to support Calgary's community-based local food system

**June 24th, 2022 11am**  
**1920 Highfield Cres SE, Calgary**

Casual Dress  
(farm tour and light lunch provided)

The Greenhouse has been made possible to The Compost Council of Canada and Highfield Farm through funding from Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada through the *Local Food Infrastructure Fund*.

Our Greenhouse will allow for an extended growing season at Highfield Farm, providing nutritious foods for our community while also becoming an integral part of our operations, offering a year-round, comfortable space for our community to enjoy, grow and learn together.

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