

NORTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
PUBLIC NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT ON DRAFT PERMIT
FOR A SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITY UNDER
THE NORTH DAKOTA SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT RULES

FACILITY NAME: Stoltenow Compost Site

APPLICANT: Schnell Compost
8570 176th Ave. SE
Wahpeton, ND 58075

BACKGROUND:

The North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality (Department) received a permit application for a modification for the Stoltenow Compost Site.

Schnell Compost currently owns and operates the Stoltenow Compost Site, regulated under Permit CO-RI-WA on approximately 10 acres located in Section 9, Township 131 North, Range 48 West in Richland County, ND. Schnell Compost proposes to update its current permit-by-rule status to a permitted facility status to add composting of food waste. The facility is currently permitted as a permit-by-rule facility for composting grass and leaves. The facility was first permitted in 2016.

The Department believes that a permit which meets the requirements of the North Dakota Solid Waste Management Rules and is protective of human health and the environment can be issued to the Stoltenow Compost Site and has prepared a Draft Permit for public review and comment.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND HEARING

As required by Section 33.1-20-03.1-03 of the North Dakota Administrative Code, the Draft Permit will be available for public review and comment for thirty (30) days following publication of the Public Notice. The public comment period begins October 7, 2026 and ends November 5, 2026. During that period, any interested person may submit written comments and request a public hearing by stating the nature of the specific issues to be raised. A fifteen (15) day notice will be provided before any hearing is scheduled. The North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality will consider all comments prior to taking any action on the permit. Comments, questions and written communication should be directed to:

Charles R. Hyatt, Director
North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality
Division of Waste Management
4201 Normandy Street
Bismarck, ND 58503

Comments may also be sent via e-mail to solidwaste@nd.gov.

The Draft Permit and Permit Application are available for review during the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, at the North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality, Division of Waste Management, 4201 Normandy Street, Bismarck, ND. A copy of this Public Notice is also on the Department's website at: <https://deq.nd.gov/PublicNotice.aspx>

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