



Wednesday April 17, 2019
Minnesota Landscape Arboretum
MacMillan Auditorium
Chanhassen, MN

Session 1: Operator Training
Session 2: Emerging Issues

Instructor	Time	Description
Registration	8:00 am	MNCC Team
Session: 1 Compost Operations		
Ginny Black, MNCC	8:30 am	Welcome, Course Objectives and Introductions
Tom Halbach U of MN Professor Emeritus	8:40 am	Definitions and Composting Basics: Concepts to Remember
Tim Farnan, MPCA	9:25 am	Regulatory issue contact water management
Panel To be Announced	9:50 am	Panel Discussion on management of contact water
Ginny Black, MNCC	10:45 am	Break
Ginny Black, CCREF Chair	11:00 am	Compost Sampling videos
Marcus Zbindin	11:30 am	Arboretum & City of Watertown Ground Water research project
Ginny Black, MNCC	12:15 pm	Lunch
Session 2: Emerging Issues		
Rhodes Yepsen	1:00 pm	What you need to know about PFAS
Ron Alexander, R. Alexander Associates, Inc. (via Video)	1:45 pm	Phosphorus in compost or Market Development?
Rhodes Yepsen	2:30 pm	Why Certification is Critical, and How Compostable Products Benefit Your Program
Ginny Black, MNCC	3:15 pm	Break
Lori Belz, MNDOT	3:30 pm	MNDOT Compost Specifications and Compost Use
Andrew Erickson	4:15 pm	Biofiltration Media Optimization
All Instructors	4:45 pm	Discussion and closing comments/discussion
Ginny Black, MNCC	5:00 pm	Adjourn