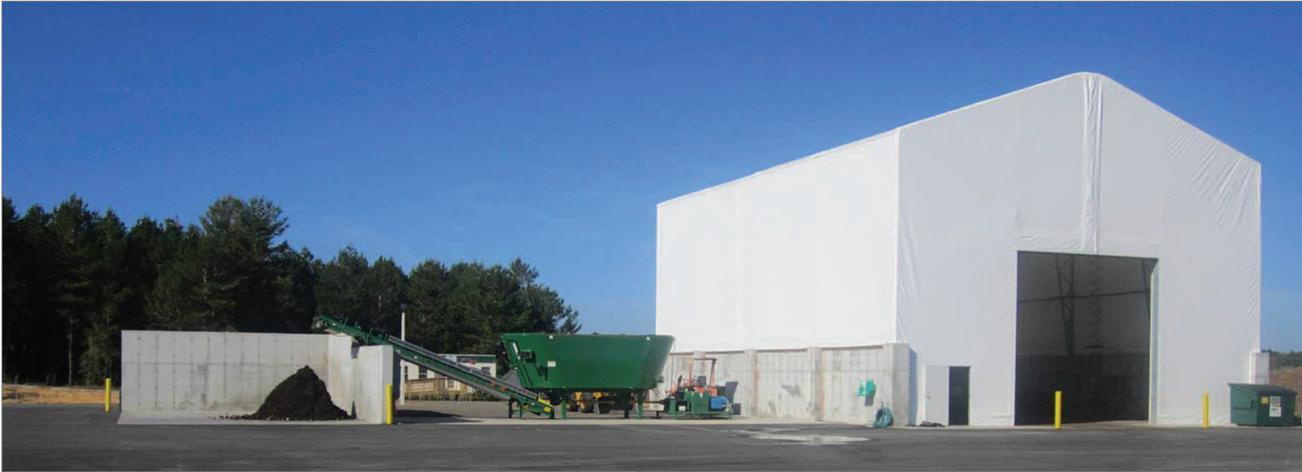


Vista Organics Recycling Facility



Site Overview

The Vista Organics Recycling Facility opened in 2011 in Apopka, FL adjacent to Waste Management's Vista Landfill. It utilizes advanced in-floor aerated composting technology to process food residuals and is the first dedicated, comprehensive organics composting site in Central Florida.

The facility processes pre-consumer and post-consumer food waste -- including produce, bakery, flower items, meat and dairy -- with yard waste into organic compost products. Customers include Publix, Whole Foods, The Gaylord Palms Resort & Convention Center.

The 150-acre Vista facility is permitted to accept up to 45,000 tons per year, including yard waste, pre- and post-consumer food waste and proteins, and is part of Waste Management's strategy to expand organics recycling in Florida and throughout North America.

Waste Management developed, engineered, financed and owns the approximately \$3.6 million facility.



Environmental Stewardship

The Vista Organics Recycling Facility integrates environmental stewardship on multiple levels. Not only is the compost facility one of the most advanced in the state, but in addition, the process of organics recycling through composting benefits the environment in many ways. Materials, such as food waste that traditionally are disposed of in a landfill,

Facility Overview

- Permitted for 45,000 tons per year
- Feedstocks include yard waste, pre- and post-consumer food waste, and proteins
- Feedstocks accepted from third parties

Technology

- Engineered Compost Systems
- ECS Bunker in-floor Aerated Static Pile
- ECS AC Composter™ Aerated Static Pile system with covers and CompDog™ technology
- Composting process air controlled with biofilters



Vista Organics Recycling Facility's aerated static pile system

are now used as a feedstock to create a beneficial end product, compost. The use of compost for plant growth has multiple benefits for the environment, including reduced watering and fertilizer use.

Compost use also enhances the structure of the soil, allowing it to retain more water that reduces runoff during rain events, in effect, reducing pollution to our waterways.

Innovation/Leadership

North America generates more than 80 million tons of organic waste each year. In the United States, approximately a third of municipal solid waste is organic, including food, yard and wood waste. Approximately 65 percent of yard waste and 2.5 percent of food wasted collected in the United States is currently diverted from disposal.

As of 2015, Waste Management operates 35 organics facilities. The company is working with customers and partners to maximize the beneficial reuse of organics to develop products such as soil amendments, organic fertilizers, renewable energy, advanced biofuels and renewable chemicals.



Organics Biofilter

The opening of the state-of-the-art Vista Organics Recycling Facility provides Waste Management partners and customers the opportunity to meet their sustainability goals by recycling organic material into a beneficial end use product and thus, keeping the material out of landfills. This facility advances the State of Florida's 75% recycling goal.

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