

ECONOMIC INCENTIVES FOR DAIRY MANURE COMPOST

Marketing Dairy Compost Project



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Composted Manure Incentive Payment

- ◆ TCEQ developed incentive plan to supplement the cost of compost for public entities
- ◆ TCEQ solicited assistance from TWRI and TCE to develop a research, education and marketing program for the watershed



CMIP

- ◆ Requirements:
 - ◆ All public entities (state funded) are eligible
 - ◆ Pays \$5.00/cy for dairy compost purchased from watershed
 - ◆ Dairy compost produced by TCEQ approved facility
 - ◆ Total cost must meet federal 60/40 matching requirements (at least \$8.33/cy)
- ◆ Ends August, '05 or when funds are no longer available



SWCD Rebate Program

- ◆ Utilize CMIP funds to provide incentive for private applications of dairy compost
- ◆ Same requirements as CMIP:
 - ◆ Dairy compost produced by TCEQ approved facility
 - ◆ Total cost must meet federal 60/40 matching requirements (at least \$8.33/cy)
- ◆ Additional Requirements
 - ◆ Provide incentive payment of \$4 per cubic yard
 - ◆ Applications outside of Bosque watershed
 - ◆ Must develop a Water Quality Management Plan for application site
 - ◆ Must be within participating SWCDs boundaries



SWCD Rebate Program

- ◆ Facilitated through the Upper Leon Soil & Water Conservation District
- ◆ Combine with TSSWCB Program (Water Quality Management Plan), which provides participants potential cost share benefits to install approved best management practices
- ◆ Waiting for approval from TCEQ and EPA



More Information...

<http://compost.tamu.edu>

