



Sustainable  
NAPA COUNTY

June 23, 2014  
State of California  
Department of Recycling Resources and Recovery  
1001 I Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**Re: Organics Grant Program –  
Clover Flat Resource Recovery Park Food Waste Composting Proposal**

Dear CalRecycle:

Sustainable Napa County (SNC) enthusiastically supports the Clover Flat Resource Recovery Park application for grant funds to expand the pilot food waste composting system. The expansion of this already successful collection of food scraps from Napa Valley restaurants and their conversion to compost will provide another opportunity for our community to reduce global warming impacts in accordance of AB 32, helping us to reach our waste and Greenhouse Gas (GHG) reduction targets.

Clover Flat Landfill is being transformed into the Clover Flat Resource Recovery Park. This evolution started with the filing of a County Use Permit Modification application in November 2009, which was subsequently approved by the County in 2011. The Solid Waste Facility Permit Revision was sent from the Napa County Local Enforcement Agency (LEA) to CalRecycle on June 6, 2014. CalRecycle is expected to concur with the permit in late July 2014. Their organics program was created to comply with and exceed the expected requirements of changing state laws, regulations, and policies. Most notably was the passage of AB 32, the Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006, which set the 2020 greenhouse gas emissions reduction goal into law, as well as other rules and policies encouraging the maximum removal of organics from the landfill waste stream. This proposed project will continue to use an in-vessel composting system with which they have great experience, and will greatly expand the capacity and the types of organic wastes diverted. This proven composting technology will divert and transform 5,625 new tons per year of food waste and wood waste into a high grade composted soil amendment.

Because Napa Valley is a popular destination, and because restaurants are such a key element of our economy, this is a prime opportunity to showcase how a potential waste product can turn into something beneficial to a community and to society. We strongly support this grant application and look forward to the expansion of this highly beneficial food waste composting project. This program is a prime example of an environmentally sound, locally-driven solution that will lead us to a sustainable future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jeri Gill".

Jeri Gill  
CEO



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In closing, we again voice our enthusiastic support for this grant application and look forward to the expansion of this highly beneficial food waste composting project. This program is a prime example of an environmentally sound, locally-driven solution that will lead us to a sustainable future.

Sincerely,

Mark Luce  
Chair, Upper Valley Waste Management Agency