

Did you know that approximately 30% of your household garbage is food waste that could be composted instead of landfilled?

The TNRD offers a variety of options for residents to divert organic waste so it doesn't reach our landfills. All TNRD composters are subsidized to make them affordable for residents.

1. Backyard Composter:

This system breaks down yard and garden waste plus household kitchen scraps including fruit/veggies, coffee/tea grounds and filters, egg shells, paper, and grains. Keep meat, bones, dairy, greasy/oily foods and pet waste out.

Can be purchased at:

- 70 Mile Eco-Depot - 3061 North Bonaparte Road.
- City of Merritt - 2185 Voght Street
- Clearwater Eco-Depot - 290 100 Mile Forest Service Rd.
- Clinton Eco-Depot - 5 Boyd Pit Road
- District of Barriere office - 4936 Barriere Town Rd.
- District of Clearwater - 209 Dutch Lake Rd.
- District of Logan Lake - 1 Opal Drive
- Heffley Creek Eco-Depot - 7381 Sullivan Valley Rd.
- Lyons Landscaping - Kamloops
- Logan Lake Eco-Depot - 9261 Hwy 97C.
- Louis Creek Eco-Depot - 4077 Agate Bay Rd
- Lower Nicola Eco-Depot - 2348 Woodward Rd
- Lytton Eco-Depot - 2040 Lytton-Lillooet Rd/Hwy 12.
- South Thompson Eco-Depot - 1595 Martin Prairie Rd.
- Village of Ashcroft office - 601 Bancroft St
- Village of Cache Creek office - 1389 Quartz Road Village of Chase - 826 Okanagan Ave
- Village of Clinton - 1423 Cariboo Hwy. 97
- Village of Lytton - 380 Main Street

2. Worm Composter:

Worm composter systems are great for people living in apartments or in areas with bear activity since it can be done indoors. Red wiggler worms eat your kitchen scraps including fruit and veggie scraps, coffee grounds/filters, paper, and egg shells. Keep meat, bones, dairy, citrus, greasy/oily foods out.

Call the TNRD to inquire about purchasing a worm composting system at 1.877.377.8673.



3. Green Cone Food Digester:

This system digests waste put into it and no finished compost is removed from the unit. Great for folks who want to divert their organic waste but do not want to harvest finished soil. It can also handle meat, bones, dairy products and pet waste. No yard or garden waste should go into it. It is also effective in areas with bear activity as they have a difficult time getting into the cone.

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What's wrong with putting it in my garbage?

1. Landfilled organic waste - especially food waste - contributes directly to climate change as the methane gas generated by rotting organics in landfills is a greenhouse gas 21 times more potent than CO₂ (vehicle exhaust).
2. The moisture content of organics contributes greatly to the creation of leachate, a management problem for landfills and a threat to ground and surface water quality.
3. Finished compost is a rich, natural fertilizer that returns valuable nutrients back into the soil promoting the growth of healthy plants.
4. It costs you money! Organic waste is heavy due to its moisture content. Composting will reduce your waste by up to 30%, thus reducing your tipping fees by the same amount.