

Agromin Receives Approval To Operate and Expand Merced County's Highway 59 Landfill Composting Operation

Agromin, California's largest organics waste recycler, was approved to operate and expand the Merced Highway 59 landfill composting operation.

MERCED, CALIFORNIA, UNITED STATES, August 29, 2023 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Agromin, California's largest organics waste recycler, received approval from the Merced County Board of Supervisors on April 20 to operate and expand the Merced Highway 59 landfill composting operation. The Merced County Regional Waste Management Authority (MCRWMA) recommended that the board retain Agromin for an initial 10 years. Agromin began operations on the site July 1 and is processing collected green waste, and eventually food scraps, into compost and mulch.



Agromin began operations on the Merced County site July 1.

Agromin began operations by using the existing facility on the site. An additional composting facility will be added to expand intake capacity. Currently, the site is permitted to accept up to 25,000 tons of green waste annually. Once the expansion is complete, it will process up to 100,000 tons per year.



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A push to increase green waste recycling and the use of recycled organic products is taking place throughout California. Under California Senate Bill 1383, the amount of green waste placed in landfills must be reduced by 75

percent by 2025 (from 2014 levels). Also part of the bill, cities, counties and other jurisdictions

are required to procure recycled organic products (such as compost and mulch) made from green waste that would otherwise end up in landfills. These materials can then be used in public parks, schools, street landscaping and by farmers, landscapers and residents.

“Organic waste is a major producer of greenhouse gases that enter the atmosphere. Merced County is proactive in its effort to repurpose organic waste into healthy compost and mulch while helping the environment,” says Bill Camarillo, Agromin CEO. “California is leading the nation by implementing programs to cut down on these harmful emissions. Agromin is excited to be part of these efforts by helping jurisdictions with their procurement and compliance needs.”

The Agromin-Merced Highway 59 Compost Facility collects organic waste from Atwater and Merced as well as the unincorporated parts of Merced County. Agromin’s compost and mulch are made from 100 percent organic material. No biosolids or chemical fertilizers are added.

The Agromin-Merced Highway 59 Compost Facility is Agromin’s second composting site in Merced County. The Agromin-Bowles Compost Facility at the Bowles Farming Company in Dos Palos processes 41,000 tons of materials each year and has the ability to process an additional 21,000 tons annually. “Agromin-Bowles will be able to handle additional Merced green waste while the Highway 59 facility expansion is completed,” says Camarillo.

To learn more about Agromin, go to www.Agromin.com.

About Agromin:



Agromin's Merced County Highway 59 facility.



Agromin truck with mulch.

Agromin, headquartered in Oxnard, Calif., is the largest organics recycler in the state. Agromin manufactures earth-friendly soil products for farmers, government entities, landscapers and gardeners and serves over 200 California communities. It works with jurisdictions throughout the state to support their fulfillment of SB 1383 procurement needs. Each year, Agromin receives more than 1 million tons of organic material and then uses a safe, natural and sustainable process to recycle the material into more than 300 eco-friendly soil products for landscape, agriculture, consumer and energy markets. The results are more vigorous and healthier plants and gardens, and on the conservation side, the opportunity to close the recycling loop, allowing more room in landfills and reducing greenhouse gas emissions. Agromin is a U.S. Composting Council Composter of the Year recipient. For more information, go to www.agromin.com.

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