

## On-Farm Composting Workshop: Fertilize with Locally-Available Compostables Chesterfield Organic Orchards

258 Crosswicks-Ellisdale Road Chesterfield, NJ 08515

8:30am Coffee, Registration

9am Welcome & Introductions, Ashley Kerr, NJFB

9:15am Virginia Lamb, Groundwork Education and Consulting

- Traditional and Aerated Static Pile Composting Basics
- Update on Changes to DEP Regulations for On-Farm Composting
- Need for New Regs Allowing Farmers to Sell Finished Compost

10:00am Coffee Break

10:15am Sherry Dudas & Jim Kinsel, Chesterfield Organic Orchards

- Overview of the History of Composting on Their Farm
- DEP's Permit Exemption
- Cultivating Relationships with Managers of Compost Feedstock Sources
- Challenges and Opportunities
- Right to Farm Issues

10:45am Meredith Melendez, Mercer County Cooperative Extension Agent

Food Safety Considerations

11am Sandra Howland, NJDA, Research Scientist

 Animal Waste Management Plans, Manure Stockpiling and Exporting

11:15am Jim Kinsel, Tour of the Farm's Composting Facilities; Greenhouse Heating with Heat from Composting using Damaged Irrigation Pipe and Other Farm Odds & Ends

12:00pm Lunch and Q&A