

Organic Materials Sector Group Work Plan 2018/2019

Vision: To minimise the generation of residual organic materials, and maximise the value of residual organic materials, ensuring their beneficial reuse

Project 1		Determine the extent to which clopyralid is impacting production and sale of compost products and identify solutions	
Activities		Timeframe	Project Lead
1.1	Survey conducted of compost manufacturers to determine on going presence of clopyralid in composting products. (Completed)	2014	Joanne McGregor
1.2	Determine whether a request to the EPA for the status of clopyralid to be reassessed is appropriate. (Completed)	2015	Joanne McGregor
1.3	Assemble background and supporting information for application completed	2015	Joanne McGregor
1.4	Apply for the status of clopyralid to be reassessed completed. The EPA agreed that there were grounds for the status to be reassessed	2015	Joanne McGregor
1.5	Develop a communications strategy to promote the correct usage of clopyralid containing products.	2018	
1.6	Implement the communications strategy	2018	
1.7	Ensure that the pre Dec 2017 controls on Clopyralid remain in force.	2018	
Project 2		Compostable Serviceware and Packaging	
Activities		Timeframe	Project Lead
2.1	Provide stakeholder input into the Packaging Forum's project on determining a suitable standard for compostable packaging and the creation of a label and certification scheme.	2018	Daniel O'Carroll
2.2	If there is a need hold a stakeholder meeting for compost manufacturers to seek feedback on suitable standards and solutions to issues facing composters	2018	
2.3	Develop an online resource where event organisers and companies wishing to use compostable cups can easily see if there is a composting facility in their area.	2018	Jenny Marshall
Project 3		Stakeholder Engagement	
Activities		Timeframe	Project Lead
3.1	Identify top 10 industry stakeholders and contact them over the next year to promote the composting industry	2018 -19	tbd
3.2	Identify opportunities such as conferences, industry publications etc. where the benefits of compost and soil amendment products can be promoted.	2018 - 19	tbd
Project 4		Health and Safety guidelines for organic waste facilities	

Activities		Time Frame	Project Lead
4.1	Work with WasteMINZ Health and Safety Sector Group to develop health and safety guidelines for processing activities at organic waste facilities	2018 -2019	

Note: Activities shaded in gray are completed. Activities without shading are in progress or planned