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Organic Matter %

21.30 As Received

25.83 Dry Weight

Greater than 20% indicates a desirable range for compost on a dry weight basis.

Compost is a significant source of Organic Matter, which is an important supplier of carbon. Organic Matter improves soil and plant efficiency by improving soil physical properties, providing a source of energy to beneficial organisms, and enhancing the reservoir of soil nutrients.

C/N Ratio

9.9:1

20-30 indicates an ideal range for the initial compost process.

10-20 indicates an ideal range for a finished compost.

All organic matter is made up of substantial amounts of carbon with lesser amounts of nitrogen. The balance of these two elements is called the Carbon/Nitrogen Ratio. For the best performance, the compost pile requires the correct proportion of carbon for energy and nitrogen for protein production. If the C:N ratio is too high (excess carbon) decomposition slows down. If the C:N ratio is too low (excess Nitrogen) the compost pile could be difficult to manage.

Moisture %

17.54

<35% = Indicates overly dry compost

>55% = Indicates overly wet compost

Moisture Percent is the measure of water present in the compost and expressed as a percentage of total weight. Moisture present affects handling and transport. Overly dry will be light and dusty while overly wet will be heavy and clumpy. A desirable moisture content of finished compost will range between 40 to 50%.

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Conductivity or Soluble Salts measures the conductance of electrical current in a liquid compost slurry. Excessive soluble salt content in a compost can prevent or delay seed germination and proper root growth. Conductivity analysis is done on a 1:5 basis.

Conductivity 1:5
2.4

Conductivity Level	Interpretation
Greater than 10	Very High nutrient content. Use for Ag Applications
5 - 10	High nutrient content. Use for Ag Applications
3 - 5	Higher than desirable for salt sensitive plants, some loss of vigor
0.6 - 3	Desirable range for most plants
0.3 - 0.6	Ideal range for greenhouse growth media
0.0 - 0.3	Very Low: Indicates very low nutrient status: plants may show deficiencies.

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pH Value
7.5

0 to 14 scale with 6 to 8 as normal pH levels for compost
A pH in the 6 to 8 pH range indicates a more mature compost

pH measures the acidity or alkalinity of the compost, and is a measurement of the hydrogen ion activity of a soil or compost on a logarithmic scale. The pH scale ranges from 0 to 14 and 7 indicates a neutral pH. Growing media with a higher pH or pH greater than 7 can benefit from a compost that has a more acidic pH or pH below 7. This type of application will possibly lower the soil pH making the soil more conducive to plants that thrive in a more acidic soil condition.

Nutrient Index (Ag Index)
>10

The Nutrient Index normally runs between 1 and 10.

The Nutrient Index is obtained by dividing the total nutrients (N,P,K) by the amount of salt (Sodium and Chloride). The higher the Nutrient Index the less chance of having a toxic buildup of Sodium (salt) in the soil.

AG INDEX CHART										
<i>salt injury possible</i>	<i>use on soils with excellent drainage characteristics, good water quality and low salts</i>				<i>you may use on soils with poor drainage, poor water quality, or high salts</i>				<i>for all soils</i>	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	> 10

Nutrients (N+P205+K20)
2.92 Average Nutrient Content Dry Weight <2 = Low, >5 = High
1-1-0.5 Rating As Received

The most commonly used compost data is the amount of Nitrogen, Phosphate, and Potash (abbreviated as N,P,K) present and the information is similar to that found in common fertilizers. If a compost result has the rating 1-2-2 it means that the compost has 1% Nitrogen, 2% Phosphate and 2% Potash. Most compost tests will have a average nutrient level (N+P+K) of < 5%.

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Cadmium (total)	n.d.	n.d.	mg/kg	0.50	EPA 6010	erw9-2023/03/17	th1-2023/03/20
Chromium (total)	11.3	13.7	mg/kg	1.00	EPA 6010	erw9-2023/03/16	th1-2023/03/20
Mercury (total)	0.15	0.18	mg/kg	0.05	EPA 7471	mss3-2023/03/16	th1-2023/03/20
Lead (total)	9.4	11.4	mg/kg	5.0	EPA 6010	erw9-2023/03/16	th1-2023/03/20
Molybdenum (total)	2.2	2.7	mg/kg	1.0	EPA 6010	erw9-2023/03/16	th1-2023/03/20
Nickel (total)	10.1	12.2	mg/kg	1.0	EPA 6010	erw9-2023/03/16	th1-2023/03/20
Selenium (total)	n.d.	n.d.	mg/kg	10.0	EPA 6010	erw9-2023/03/16	th1-2023/03/20
Zinc (total)	137.5	166.8	mg/kg	2.0	EPA 6010	erw9-2023/03/16	th1-2023/03/20
Copper (total)	101	122	mg/kg	1	EPA 6010	erw9-2023/03/16	th1-2023/03/20
Arsenic (total)	3.14	3.81	mg/kg	0.5	EPA 6020	n1o7-2023/03/16	th1-2023/03/20
Aluminum (total)	5410	6560	mg/kg	5.0	EPA 6010	erw9-2023/03/16	th1-2023/03/20
Cobalt (total)	2.27	2.75	mg/kg	1.00	EPA 6010	erw9-2023/03/16	th1-2023/03/20
Total neutralizing value (CaCO3 eq)	7.4	9.0	%	0.1	AOAC 955.01	jed2-2023/03/07	eas2-2023/03/07

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Date Sampled: Date Received: Sample ID:	2023-02-27 2023-02-28 5090847-2				
				Compost Pkg	
					Total content, lbs per ton (as rec'd)
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					Analysis (dry weight)
NUTRIENTS					
Nitrogen					
Total Nitrogen	%	1.14	1.41	22.8	
Organic Nitrogen	%	0.99	1.22	19.7	
Ammonium Nitrogen	%	0.153	0.189	3.1	
Nitrate Nitrogen	%	< 0.01	----	----	
Major and Secondary Nutrients					
Phosphorus	%	0.33	0.41	6.6	
Phosphorus as P2O5	%	0.76	0.94	15.2	
Potassium	%	0.59	0.73	11.8	
Potassium as K2O	%	0.71	0.88	14.2	
Sulfur	%	0.30	0.37	6.0	
Calcium	%	2.84	3.51	56.8	
Magnesium	%	0.74	0.92	14.8	
Sodium	%	0.080	0.099	1.6	
Micronutrients					
Iron	ppm	9380	11606	18.8	
Manganese	ppm	246	304	0.5	
Boron	ppm	127	157	0.3	
OTHER PROPERTIES					
Moisture	%	19.18			
Total Solids	%	80.82	1616.4		
Organic Matter	%	22.40	27.72	448.0	
Ash	%	58.20	72.01	1164.0	
Total Carbon	%	11.44	14.15		
Chloride	%	0.07	0.09		
pH		7.6			
Conductivity 1:5 (Soluble Salts)	mS/cm	2.49			

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Organic Matter %		Greater than 20% indicates a desirable range for compost on a dry weight basis.
22.40	As Received	
27.72	Dry Weight	

Compost is a significant source of Organic Matter, which is an important supplier of carbon. Organic Matter improves soil and plant efficiency by improving soil physical properties, providing a source of energy to beneficial organisms, and enhancing the reservoir of soil nutrients.

C/N Ratio		20-30 indicates an ideal range for the initial compost process. 10-20 indicates an ideal range for a finished compost.
10:1		

All organic matter is made up of substantial amounts of carbon with lesser amounts of nitrogen. The balance of these two elements is called the Carbon/Nitrogen Ratio. For the best performance, the compost pile requires the correct proportion of carbon for energy and nitrogen for protein production. If the C:N ratio is too high (excess carbon) decomposition slows down. If the C:N ratio is too low (excess Nitrogen) the compost pile could be difficult to manage.

Moisture %		<35% = Indicates overly dry compost
19.18		

>55% = Indicates overly wet compost

Moisture Percent is the measure of water present in the compost and expressed as a percentage of total weight. Moisture present affects handling and transport. Overly dry will be light and dusty while overly wet will be heavy and clumpy. A desirable moisture content of finished compost will range between 40 to 50%.

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Conductivity or Soluble Salts measures the conductance of electrical current in a liquid compost slurry. Excessive soluble salt content in a compost can prevent or delay seed germination and proper root growth. Conductivity analysis is done on a 1:5 basis.

Conductivity 1:5	
2.5	
Conductivity Level	Interpretation
Greater than 10	Very High nutrient content. Use for Ag Applications
5 - 10	High nutrient content. Use for Ag Applications
3 - 5	Higher than desirable for salt sensitive plants, some loss of vigor
0.6 - 3	Desirable range for most plants
0.3 - 0.6	Ideal range for greenhouse growth media
0.0 - 0.3	Very Low: Indicates very low nutrient status: plants may show deficiencies.

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pH Value
7.6

0 to 14 scale with 6 to 8 as normal pH levels for compost
A pH in the 6 to 8 pH range indicates a more mature compost

pH measures the acidity or alkalinity of the compost, and is a measurement of the hydrogen ion activity of a soil or compost on a logarithmic scale. The pH scale ranges from 0 to 14 and 7 indicates a neutral pH. Growing media with a higher pH or pH greater than 7 can benefit from a compost that has a more acidic pH or pH below 7. This type of application will possibly lower the soil pH making the soil more conducive to plants that thrive in a more acidic soil condition.

Nutrient Index (Ag Index)
>10

The Nutrient Index normally runs between 1 and 10.

The Nutrient Index is obtained by dividing the total nutrients (N,P,K) by the amount of salt (Sodium and Chloride). The higher the Nutrient Index the less chance of having a toxic buildup of Sodium (salt) in the soil.

AG INDEX CHART										
<i>salt injury possible</i>	<i>use on soils with excellent drainage characteristics, good water quality and low salts</i>				<i>you may use on soils with poor drainage, poor water quality, or high salts</i>				<i>for all soils</i>	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	> 10

Nutrients (N+P205+K20)
3.23 Average Nutrient Content Dry Weight <2 = Low, >5 = High
1-1-0.5 Rating As Received

The most commonly used compost data is the amount of Nitrogen, Phosphate, and Potash (abbreviated as N,P,K) present and the information is similar to that found in common fertilizers. If a compost result has the rating 1-2-2 it means that the compost has 1% Nitrogen, 2% Phosphate and 2% Potash. Most compost tests will have a average nutrient level (N+P+K) of < 5%.

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Salmonella	n.d.	n.d.	MPN/4g	0.26	EPA 1682	cjb1-2023/03/06	sn17-2023/03/06
Cadmium (total)	n.d.	n.d.	mg/kg	0.50	EPA 6010	erw9-2023/03/17	th1-2023/03/20
Chromium (total)	11.9	14.7	mg/kg	1.00	EPA 6010	erw9-2023/03/16	th1-2023/03/20
Mercury (total)	0.11	0.14	mg/kg	0.05	EPA 7471	mss3-2023/03/16	th1-2023/03/20
Lead (total)	12.0	14.9	mg/kg	5.0	EPA 6010	erw9-2023/03/16	th1-2023/03/20
Molybdenum (total)	1.9	2.4	mg/kg	1.0	EPA 6010	erw9-2023/03/16	th1-2023/03/20
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Organic Matter %		Greater than 20% indicates a desirable range for compost on a dry weight basis.
20.30	As Received	
25.66	Dry Weight	

Compost is a significant source of Organic Matter, which is an important supplier of carbon. Organic Matter improves soil and plant efficiency by improving soil physical properties, providing a source of energy to beneficial organisms, and enhancing the reservoir of soil nutrients.

C/N Ratio		20-30 indicates an ideal range for the initial compost process. 10-20 indicates an ideal range for a finished compost.
10.2:1		

All organic matter is made up of substantial amounts of carbon with lesser amounts of nitrogen. The balance of these two elements is called the Carbon/Nitrogen Ratio. For the best performance, the compost pile requires the correct proportion of carbon for energy and nitrogen for protein production. If the C:N ratio is too high (excess carbon) decomposition slows down. If the C:N ratio is too low (excess Nitrogen) the compost pile could be difficult to manage.

Moisture %		<35% = Indicates overly dry compost >55% = Indicates overly wet compost
20.90		

Moisture Percent is the measure of water present in the compost and expressed as a percentage of total weight. Moisture present affects handling and transport. Overly dry will be light and dusty while overly wet will be heavy and clumpy. A desirable moisture content of finished compost will range between 40 to 50%.

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Conductivity or Soluble Salts measures the conductance of electrical current in a liquid compost slurry. Excessive soluble salt content in a compost can prevent or delay seed germination and proper root growth. Conductivity analysis is done on a 1:5 basis.

Conductivity 1:5
3.1

Conductivity Level	Interpretation
Greater than 10	Very High nutrient content. Use for Ag Applications
5 - 10	High nutrient content. Use for Ag Applications
3 - 5	Higher than desirable for salt sensitive plants, some loss of vigor
0.6 - 3	Desirable range for most plants
0.3 - 0.6	Ideal range for greenhouse growth media
0.0 - 0.3	Very Low: Indicates very low nutrient status: plants may show deficiencies.

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pH Value
7.6

0 to 14 scale with 6 to 8 as normal pH levels for compost
A pH in the 6 to 8 pH range indicates a more mature compost

pH measures the acidity or alkalinity of the compost, and is a measurement of the hydrogen ion activity of a soil or compost on a logarithmic scale. The pH scale ranges from 0 to 14 and 7 indicates a neutral pH. Growing media with a higher pH or pH greater than 7 can benefit from a compost that has a more acidic pH or pH below 7. This type of application will possibly lower the soil pH making the soil more conducive to plants that thrive in a more acidic soil condition.

Nutrient Index (Ag Index)
>10

The Nutrient Index normally runs between 1 and 10.

The Nutrient Index is obtained by dividing the total nutrients (N,P,K) by the amount of salt (Sodium and Chloride). The higher the Nutrient Index the less chance of having a toxic buildup of Sodium (salt) in the soil.

AG INDEX CHART										
<i>salt injury possible</i>	<i>use on soils with excellent drainage characteristics, good water quality and low salts</i>				<i>you may use on soils with poor drainage, poor water quality, or high salts</i>				<i>for all soils</i>	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	> 10

Nutrients (N+P205+K20)

3.12 Average Nutrient Content Dry Weight <2 = Low, >5 = High
1-1-0.5 Rating As Received

The most commonly used compost data is the amount of Nitrogen, Phosphate, and Potash (abbreviated as N,P,K) present and the information is similar to that found in common fertilizers. If a compost result has the rating 1-2-2 it means that the compost has 1% Nitrogen, 2% Phosphate and 2% Potash. Most compost tests will have a average nutrient level (N+P+K) of < 5%.

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 Compost Pkg

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	As Received	Dry Weight	Units	Limit	Method		

Sample ID: **5090847-3** Lab Number: **70250079** Date Sampled: **2023-02-27 1300**

Salmonella	n.d.	n.d.	MPN/4g	0.26	EPA 1682	cjb1-2023/03/06	sn17-2023/03/06
Cadmium (total)	n.d.	0.51	mg/kg	0.50	EPA 6010	erw9-2023/03/17	th1-2023/03/20
Chromium (total)	11.5	14.5	mg/kg	1.00	EPA 6010	erw9-2023/03/16	th1-2023/03/20
Mercury (total)	0.09	0.12	mg/kg	0.05	EPA 7471	mss3-2023/03/16	th1-2023/03/20
Lead (total)	11.4	14.4	mg/kg	5.0	EPA 6010	erw9-2023/03/16	th1-2023/03/20
Molybdenum (total)	1.7	2.1	mg/kg	1.0	EPA 6010	erw9-2023/03/16	th1-2023/03/20
Nickel (total)	9.6	12.2	mg/kg	1.0	EPA 6010	erw9-2023/03/16	th1-2023/03/20
Selenium (total)	n.d.	n.d.	mg/kg	10.0	EPA 6010	erw9-2023/03/16	th1-2023/03/20
Zinc (total)	133.0	168.2	mg/kg	2.0	EPA 6010	erw9-2023/03/16	th1-2023/03/20
Copper (total)	103	130	mg/kg	1	EPA 6010	erw9-2023/03/16	th1-2023/03/20
Arsenic (total)	3.06	3.87	mg/kg	0.5	EPA 6020	n1o7-2023/03/16	th1-2023/03/20
Aluminum (total)	5500	6950	mg/kg	5.0	EPA 6010	erw9-2023/03/16	th1-2023/03/20
Cobalt (total)	2.17	2.74	mg/kg	1.00	EPA 6010	erw9-2023/03/16	th1-2023/03/20
Total neutralizing value (CaCO3 eq)	6.5	8.2	%	0.1	AOAC 955.01	jed2-2023/03/07	eas2-2023/03/07

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Organic Matter %		Greater than 20% indicates a desirable range for compost on a dry weight basis.
20.30	As Received	
24.45	Dry Weight	

Compost is a significant source of Organic Matter, which is an important supplier of carbon. Organic Matter improves soil and plant efficiency by improving soil physical properties, providing a source of energy to beneficial organisms, and enhancing the reservoir of soil nutrients.

C/N Ratio		20-30 indicates an ideal range for the initial compost process. 10-20 indicates an ideal range for a finished compost.
10.2:1		

All organic matter is made up of substantial amounts of carbon with lesser amounts of nitrogen. The balance of these two elements is called the Carbon/Nitrogen Ratio. For the best performance, the compost pile requires the correct proportion of carbon for energy and nitrogen for protein production. If the C:N ratio is too high (excess carbon) decomposition slows down. If the C:N ratio is too low (excess Nitrogen) the compost pile could be difficult to manage.

Moisture %		<35% = Indicates overly dry compost
16.99		

>55% = Indicates overly wet compost

Moisture Percent is the measure of water present in the compost and expressed as a percentage of total weight. Moisture present affects handling and transport. Overly dry will be light and dusty while overly wet will be heavy and clumpy. A desirable moisture content of finished compost will range between 40 to 50%.

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Conductivity or Soluble Salts measures the conductance of electrical current in a liquid compost slurry. Excessive soluble salt content in a compost can prevent or delay seed germination and proper root growth. Conductivity analysis is done on a 1:5 basis.

Conductivity 1:5
2.4

Conductivity Level	Interpretation
Greater than 10	Very High nutrient content. Use for Ag Applications
5 - 10	High nutrient content. Use for Ag Applications
3 - 5	Higher than desirable for salt sensitive plants, some loss of vigor
0.6 - 3	Desirable range for most plants
0.3 - 0.6	Ideal range for greenhouse growth media
0.0 - 0.3	Very Low: Indicates very low nutrient status: plants may show deficiencies.

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pH Value
7.6

0 to 14 scale with 6 to 8 as normal pH levels for compost
A pH in the 6 to 8 pH range indicates a more mature compost

pH measures the acidity or alkalinity of the compost, and is a measurement of the hydrogen ion activity of a soil or compost on a logarithmic scale. The pH scale ranges from 0 to 14 and 7 indicates a neutral pH. Growing media with a higher pH or pH greater than 7 can benefit from a compost that has a more acidic pH or pH below 7. This type of application will possibly lower the soil pH making the soil more conducive to plants that thrive in a more acidic soil condition.

Nutrient Index (Ag Index)
>10

The Nutrient Index normally runs between 1 and 10.

The Nutrient Index is obtained by dividing the total nutrients (N,P,K) by the amount of salt (Sodium and Chloride). The higher the Nutrient Index the less chance of having a toxic buildup of Sodium (salt) in the soil.

AG INDEX CHART										
<i>salt injury possible</i>	<i>use on soils with excellent drainage characteristics, good water quality and low salts</i>				<i>you may use on soils with poor drainage, poor water quality, or high salts</i>				<i>for all soils</i>	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	> 10

Nutrients (N+P205+K20)

3.05 Average Nutrient Content Dry Weight <2 = Low, >5 = High
1-1-0.5 Rating As Received

The most commonly used compost data is the amount of Nitrogen, Phosphate, and Potash (abbreviated as N,P,K) present and the information is similar to that found in common fertilizers. If a compost result has the rating 1-2-2 it means that the compost has 1% Nitrogen, 2% Phosphate and 2% Potash. Most compost tests will have a average nutrient level (N+P+K) of < 5%.

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Salmonella	n.d.	n.d.	MPN/4g	0.26	EPA 1682	cjb1-2023/03/06	sn17-2023/03/06
Cadmium (total)	n.d.	0.53	mg/kg	0.50	EPA 6010	erw9-2023/03/17	th1-2023/03/20
Chromium (total)	14.7	17.7	mg/kg	1.00	EPA 6010	erw9-2023/03/16	th1-2023/03/20
Mercury (total)	0.09	0.11	mg/kg	0.05	EPA 7471	mss3-2023/03/16	th1-2023/03/20
Lead (total)	10.4	12.6	mg/kg	5.0	EPA 6010	erw9-2023/03/16	th1-2023/03/20
Molybdenum (total)	2.0	2.4	mg/kg	1.0	EPA 6010	erw9-2023/03/16	th1-2023/03/20
Nickel (total)	10.9	13.1	mg/kg	1.0	EPA 6010	erw9-2023/03/16	th1-2023/03/20
Selenium (total)	n.d.	n.d.	mg/kg	10.0	EPA 6010	erw9-2023/03/16	th1-2023/03/20
Zinc (total)	147.9	178.2	mg/kg	2.0	EPA 6010	erw9-2023/03/16	th1-2023/03/20
Copper (total)	105	127	mg/kg	1	EPA 6010	erw9-2023/03/16	th1-2023/03/20
Arsenic (total)	3.22	3.88	mg/kg	0.5	EPA 6020	n1o7-2023/03/16	th1-2023/03/20
Aluminum (total)	6280	7560	mg/kg	5.0	EPA 6010	erw9-2023/03/16	th1-2023/03/20
Cobalt (total)	2.43	2.93	mg/kg	1.00	EPA 6010	erw9-2023/03/16	th1-2023/03/20
Total neutralizing value (CaCO3 eq)	6.2	7.5	%	0.1	AOAC 955.01	jed2-2023/03/07	eas2-2023/03/07

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REPORT OF ANALYSIS
For: (34024) CITY OF LARAMIE WWTP
Compost Pkg

Analysis	Level Found	As Received	Dry Weight	Units	Reporting Limit	Method	Analyst-Date	Verified-Date
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EPA 1682 holding time of < 6 hours from sampling to laboratory set up of samples for biosolids and compost has been exceeded. If a level of Salmonella was reported, the value would be considered an estimate. Individual states enforce different holding times for compost or biosolids so please contact the regulatory body in your state for their requirements. n.d. = not detected, MPN = most probable number, ppm = parts per million, mg/kg

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