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COMPOST AVAILABLE FOR PICK-UP ON SATURDAYS IN APRIL

DENVER, April 3 — The Metro Wastewater Reclamation District's Compost Sales Office at 6450 York Street will be open every Saturday during April from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The Metro District sells compost in both bags and in bulk. The 1.25 cubic-foot bags of compost are available for \$3.00 each. They weigh approximately 32 pounds each.

Bulk compost is available to people who have their own open-bed pick-up truck or trailer in which to haul it and a tarp to keep it from blowing. It costs \$26 a ton, and Metro District employees will load it.

The compost is a by-product of the wastewater treatment process. It is made from biosolids mixed with wood fiber from yard waste and is helpful in establishing lawn or adding water-retaining organic materials to home gardens.

Biosolids are nutrient-rich organic matter resulting from wastewater treatment.

METROGRO® Compost is produced by mixing biosolids cake and wood fiber or yard waste. The composting process produces heat that kills germs. After testing to ensure safety, the product is ready for distribution to the public.

The Metro District is the largest wastewater treatment agency in the Rocky Mountain West. It treats about 140 million gallons of wastewater a day and serves 1.6 million people in a 600-square mile service area that includes Denver, Arvada, Aurora, Lakewood, part of Westminster, Wheat Ridge, and Thornton, together with about 40 sanitation and water and sanitation districts in the metropolitan Denver area.

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