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CELEBRATE INTERNATIONAL COMPOST AWARENESS WEEK BY LEARNING HOW TO MAKE COMPOST



Figure 1: Agency staff giving compost presentation.

International Compost Awareness Week is celebrated around the world each year from May 7th to May 13th. There is no better way to get your garden ready to plant, and celebrate all that is compost, than by incorporating quality compost into your soil so it can feed your plants and help them fight off pests. Not sure how to make your own compost? Not to worry! Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency staff will be giving backyard composting presentations at the Sacramento River Discovery Center's Spring Plant Sale on May 13th from 10AM-12PM. Agency staff will teach you how to turn valuable food scraps (not waste!) into black gold, or compost as most people call it. Staff will provide compost booklets to all participants to use as a resource when starting or maintaining their compost pile. The presentations will focus on starting a compost pile, how to keep your pile healthy, and what to do with the finished compost. In addition, Agency staff will share helpful landscaping tips that could reduce the amount of yard trimmings you produce, along with tips to cut down on wasted food. Additionally, participants can enter a raffle to win a kitchen food scraps pail to start collecting food scraps for their compost pile. The Sacramento River Discovery Center is located at 1000 Sale Lane, Red Bluff. If you cannot make it to the Spring Plant Sale, but still want to learn about compost, contact the Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency at (530) 528-1103 or email tehamacountyrecycles@co.tehama.ca.us.