

## It Ain't Over until the "Overs" have a Home

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### Wood - C&D



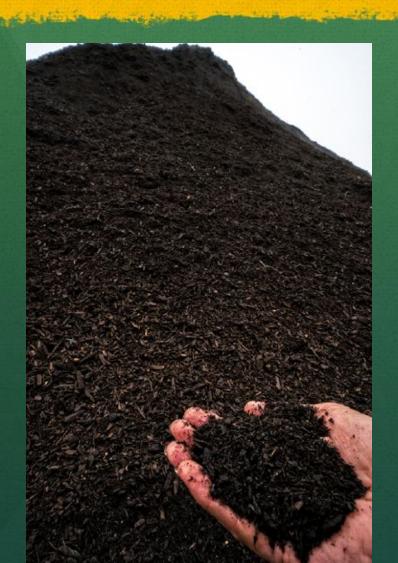
### Screened



## Screening Compost



### The good



- Salable compost
- Meets market standards
- Clean > 1/2" Dirty <3/8"
  - More overs when fine
  - More contaminant in overs

### What comes out the back-end



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# Not stable, but workable until...

- Lots of dead trees in forests, preferred feedstock
- Increased quality standards by biofuel plants: rejected
- No need for additional green energy needed
- Biofuel plans close

## Woodageddon!

### What comes in...

- Crap in → Crap out
- Can get the compost clean, but the overs...
- The biofuel plants are not the future
- Recycling as mulch is recognizing the resource
- Emphasis on clean feedstock
- Post processing of overs

### Processed, 'clean' overs

- Recycle back in the compost stream: accumulation
- Mulch

## Chunky Mulch



## When is clean clean enough



### This?



### What's needed

- Instill respect for organics
- Aim for clean feedstock: starts at the source
- Get appropriate equipment: pre-grinder, post screen
- A lot of work, determination, experimentation

### Is there a mulch market?

- Median strip (Roads)
- MWELO (Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance)
   3 inches required by MWELO
   Must be from recycled organic materials if available
   New projects over 500 sf;
   Renovations over 2,500 sf
- Other

### Thank you





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