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## Press Release

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### **PUBLIC MEETING OF MONROE COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT BOARD AND DISTRICT CITIZEN'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON COMPOSTING**

What are the results of the Kessler study concerning community composting in the Monroe County community and what are their recommendations? The results of the latest Kessler study focusing on organic waste recovery and composting will be presented and discussed at the November 8th meeting with District Board, staff, and the District's Citizen's Advisory Committee (CAC) members. The meeting will be held **November 8th** in the **Nat U. Hill meeting room at the Monroe County Courthouse immediately following the regularly scheduled Board meeting which begins at 4:00 pm. The public is invited to attend.** A link to the Kessler composting study will be posted on [gogreendistrict.com/public-info](http://gogreendistrict.com/public-info) when it becomes available.

Kessler Consulting, initially hired by the District to do a study on a mixed waste processing facility, was directed by the Board to focus on composting. After their study revealed that composting material accounts for approximately 40% of the County's waste stream, the Board voted to have Kessler assess organic waste recovery options and develop a recovery plan for the District. It included assessing existing programs and facilities; profiling organics recovery systems in similar communities; estimating the need for expansion or additional facilities; and analyzing organics recovery options for the County. The District's Board of Directors is comprised of seven elected officials representing all of Monroe County. CAC is comprised of Monroe County residents with knowledge and interest in environmental issues or who are representatives of the waste management industry. The CAC reports to the District Board of Directors (Board) on subjects and problems specified by the Board and can recommend additional subject matter for study or discussion. Members are appointed by the District Board of Directors for a term of one (1) year.

Find out the latest on the Kessler composting study at the November 8<sup>th</sup> meeting. This is a public meeting of the District Board and CAC. The meeting will be held **November 8th in the Nat U. Hill meeting room at the Monroe County Courthouse immediately following the regularly scheduled Board meeting which begins at 4:00 pm. The public is invited to attend.**

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