



Las Virgenes – Triunfo Joint Powers Authority Announces Return of Community Compost

Las Virgenes – Triunfo Joint Powers Authority (JPA) will begin offering free compost again, by appointment, after nearly a two-year hiatus following the Woolsey Fire.

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Calabasas, CA – The JPA is proud to announce the return of the popular community compost giveaway program beginning this Saturday, August 29, 8 a.m. - 1 p.m. by appointment. Residents and landscapers are once again invited back to the Rancho Las Virgenes Composting Facility, following proper safety protocols.

The return of the high-quality soil amendment comes nearly two years after the District's composting facility sustained significant damage from the Woolsey Fire. Staff has worked diligently to repair and replace the complex machinery needed to create the Grade-A compost.

The JPA has also tested the soil amendment for COVID-19, and has found that the virus does not exist in the compost, ensuring its safety to the public and its usage.

In adhering to current safety and social distancing measures due to COVID-19, all customers will be required to observe the following conditions:

- **Customers are required to wear a mask at all times.** No exceptions.
- **Customers are required to practice social distancing** by keeping at least 6 feet between themselves and others.
- **Customers must bring their own shovel** to collect compost.
- **Customers must bring a valid ID.**
- **No more than six customers should be at the compost pile at one time.**
- **Customers must make a reservation on the District's [website](#) or by calling Dawn Buchanan at 818-251-2108.**

Reservations are limited in order to allow for social distancing and ensure the safety of customers and staff. Customers who are seen not adhering to the above safety protocols will be asked by District staff to leave.

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Appointments can be made online at www.lvmwd.com/community-compost or by calling Dawn Buchanan at 818-251-2108.

Bulk composting and recycled water fill station programs are not yet available to the public.

Las Virgenes Municipal Water District provides potable water, wastewater treatment, recycled water and biosolids composting to more than 70,000 residents in the cities of Agoura Hills, Calabasas, Hidden Hills, Westlake Village and unincorporated areas of western Los Angeles County.

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