

BULK

MANURE & COMPOST DIRECTORY

Commercial and Non-Commercial Sources

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1. Commercial Sources

Alaska Humus

“Teaming with Microbes”

A custom humus especially good for making compost tea
Sold in gardening stores and Alaska Mill and Feed
For more info, call 907- 258-1504 in Anchorage

Fishy Peat and Alaska Earth Potting Soil

Anchor Point Greenhouse

Made from composted local peat, fish waste, and kelp
Sold in various garden supply stores, e.g. Three Bears and Budget Feeds
in Palmer, Alaska Mill and Feed in Anchorage, etc.

Al Poindexter
235-7288

Susitna Organics

“Humified Compost”

A commercial, large scale operation
Bulk or bagged
Will pick up of raw materials and deliver bulk compost

P.O. Box 877405 : 24520 W. Holstein Ave. : Wasilla, AK 99687
Mark Fisher
www.susitnaorganics.com
907-841-9426

2. Non-commercial Sources (individuals & farmsteads)

A Starter List for Finding Sources in S-C Alaska:

- **Anchor Point**
- **Anchorage**
- **Chugiak**
- **Eagle River**
- **Palmer & Butte**
- **Wasilla, Knik**

Be sure to phone ahead and arrange pick-up.

Please note...

that I have not checked with all these sources each year.

Inquire directly for availability & current prices.

Please let me know about other sources to post. Thanks, Ellen

PALMER AREA

Havemeister Dairy

3-year aged dairy cow manure & bedding

\$25 for cubic yard

On Bogard near Trunk Rd

Delivery available in 5 mile radius of farm.

Bob Havemeister havemeister@gci.net

745-2040

Amber Lee

Horse Manure

Free. Bulk or possibly bagged

Right in between Palmer & Wasilla.

anasb@uaa.alaska.edu

232-3005

Alys Culhane

Horse Manure

Free but donations greatly appreciated to keep feeding the manure-producers.

We supply manure in convenient buckets, and ask that the buckets be returned. Call a few days ahead, as demand is high. No wormer medication is ever used on horses to endanger your soil food web.

Buffalo Mine Road area

alysculhane@hotmail.com

745-4747

John Hett

Aged manure

Palmer (in town)

745-7327

Ray DePriest

Horse and cow manure

745-6753

ray@alaskabase.com; www.alaskabase.com

Tracy Moffitt

Topsoil & composted cow manure

745-2993

Mt. McKinley Meat and Sausage

Manure & Bedding Free.

Also blood and a tank may be available to borrow

745-5232

PALMER—BUTTE AREA

Margaret Subers

Horse manure with hay mixed in or just manure.

Free

I have some left over feed bags that can be used to take it home in.

Please call me a few days in advance.

746-0041

nlights@mtaonline.net

The Reindeer Farm

Reindeer manure

\$20/pickup load; \$10/trunk or station wagon.

Bring a shovel; no loader is available..

Bodenburg Loop Road

This is a well-mixed and stomped supply of reindeer pee, poop, and bedding straw. Just add water and watch it heat up and compost.

Gene Williams

745-4000

reindeer@mtaonline.net

Windborne Farm Alpacas, Lazy Mt. area

Tom or Jan at 746 5265

Email windborn@mtaonline.net

EAGLE RIVER / BIRCHWOOD AREA

Linda Boggs

Composted horse manure

Free to good home

Hiland Road in Eagle River

I have a front end loader so: 1) the piles are monitored and turned to kill weed seeds and pathogens (I aim for organic standards), and 2) I can easily load up your truck. Often the older stuff is loaded with earthworms, who quickly inhabit the piles as they cool down.

696-0646

ls_boggs@yahoo.com

Leading Lady Llamas

Llama and goat manure

Plentiful. Call for arrangements & directions.

Some poop is mixed with bedding materials. You are quite welcome to come over and load up. I am not charging and do have some old feed bags if anyone needs them. I usually just load it into the back of my pickup and shovel from there.

Karen Herget

317-0769

blaghawke@yahoo.com

WASILLA AREA

Tracy Duffield

Alpaca Poop

Wasilla

N.S. Alpaca

Triple D Farm

Fresh Poultry Manure

It's \$5 per tractor bucket-load.

Bring a trailer or truck. Even our 1-year-old compost mix is still hot with poultry manure so use this to blend and compost with your material at home.

Tony and Phyllis Schmidt

Parks Hwy and Hyer/Fairview Loop area

376-3338

www.alaskatripled.com

ANCHORAGE

Municipality of Anchorage

Awaiting recent developments with a new large-scale compost facility by Evergreen. Please phone the Municipality of Anchorage for information.

Alaska Waste in Anchorage

Awaiting developments with a new in-vessel digester

6301 Rosewood St next to Recycling Center

563-3717

ANCHOR POINT, KENAI PENINSULA

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3. Benefits, Cautions, & Research

Benefits: manure or compost will

- Feed your soil micro-workers
- Fertilize your plants
- Increase plant vigor
- Improve soil structure & drainage
- Neutralize toxins
- Reduce the need to irrigate
- Prevent disease
- Prevent pests
- Prevent nutrient deficiencies

Compost your manure first to reduce weed seed & nitrogen-robbing

Caution:

A note about moldy hay and grass: be sure to wear a dust mask, as you can overload your lungs and immune system with spores. Better yet, mist or spray with water continually as you disturb a moldy pile.

A note about raw manures: If the batch comes from a horse, reindeer, cow, etc. who has been wormed in the last couple months, the wormer medicine may reduce populations of beneficial soil microbes. Ask when you call about manure. When you work with "wormed" manure and you don't see much action, then 1) let the manure sit until it starts to show signs of decomposition before spreading, or 2) add an activator, or 3) find a different source of manure.

Exciting Current Research in Alaska

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She is researching, testing, and refining ways to compost fish waste and cardboard together. Jodie is determined to find a proven and workable way for Alaskan Bush villages to recycle typical waste products.

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