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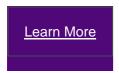
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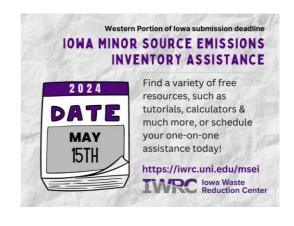


MSEI Season is Underway for Western Iowa

Facilities in the Western third of lowa must submit their 2023 MSEI by May 15, 2024. Do you have questions or need assistance completing your MSEI? The IWRC is here to help! The IWRC's lowa Air Emissions Assistance Program has many resources available to help including tutorials, calculators, checklists, and even one-on-one training and assistance at no charge for lowa businesses with less than 100 employees.

For questions or assistance, contact jennifer.wittenburg@uni.ed u





January 31, 2024 Reporting Deadlines

Grain Facility PM10 PTE

Group 1 & Group 2 Grain Elevators are required to calculate their facility's PM10 potential to emit (PTE) annually for the previous calendar year. The GrainPTE program, developed by the IWRC's <u>lowa Air Emissions Assistance Program</u>, is a free calculation tool that helps you easily record facility information, calculate the required PM10 PTE and generate reports as needed from any device that has Internet access.

To meet regulation requirements, facility calculations MUST be completed by **January 31, 2024 for the 2023 calendar year.** These records and calculations do not need to be submitted to the lowa DNR but must be kept on-site for a period of five years and be made available upon request. If you have any questions, please give us a call at 319-273-8905 for assistance.



6X Certification and Compliance Report

The **2023** 6X Certification and Compliance Report for businesses subject to 6X Metal Fabrication and Finishing NESHAP is also due on **January 31, 2024**.



응 Food, Beverage & Organics

First Cidery Certified Gold by the IGBC

The new year brought an exciting announcement from the <u>lowa Green Brewery Certification Program</u>.

Paha Cider, based in Waverly, IA, received the first cidery certification by the IGBC.

Paha Cider's commitment and implementation of sustainability measures earned them GOLD level certification. This accomplishment puts them in the company of only nine other lowa establishments with gold level certification.

Congratulations to Paha Cidery on this impressive achievement!

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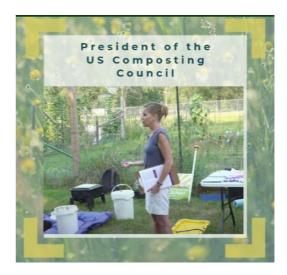


Mark Westbrock (Paha Cider owner and cidermaker) and Mo Valko (Director of Sales & Marketing)

IWRC's Jennifer Trent named President of USCC

With the start of a new year, the <u>US</u>
<u>Composting Council</u> (USCC) has announced the <u>lowa Waste</u>
<u>Reduction Center</u>'s <u>Jennifer</u>
<u>Trent</u> as its new Board of Directors
President.

Trent will oversee and lead the USCC's Board of Directors, work hand-in-hand with the Executive Director and will also serve on the Council's Executive, Finance, Nominations and Governance, and Chapter Advisory Committees.



Jennifer Trent, IWRC Food, Beverage and Organics Program Manager

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UNI's Economics of Sustainability Class Teams Up with STAR4D for Impact

At UNI, service-learning is a classbased experience, co-created with community partners, intended to expand and deepen disciplinespecific knowledge and skills, strengthen the community and develop a student's sense of civic responsibility.

During the Fall 2023, UNI's Economics of Sustainability Class partnered with IWRC's STAR4D program to complete research and analysis and provide program recommendations. Read the full story to learn more.



UNI Economics of Sustainability class, Fall 2023

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Nine Food Waste Resolutions for 2024 (ReFED)

| Energy |

<u>DOE finalizes energy efficiency standards for residential refrigerators, freezers</u> (UTILITY DIVE)

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What it Actually Takes to Make Your Products More Sustainable (INC.)

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America Needs To Improve Its Cardboard Recycling (Earth911)





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