

ReFED Session 3: ReFED's Roadmap Hits the Road: Building Processing Capacity at the Right Scale

Join this session for a lively discussion of how communities should seek to balance the need to process food scraps at the community level in close proximity to the source with the need to achieve economies of scale, rapid growth and systemization through larger, more centralized industrial processing sites. RRS's JD Lindeberg will lead panelists in a discussion of this issue through the lenses of collection, processing and end markets.

Moderator - JD Lindeberg, RRS

- a. JD will give introduction (5 min)*
- 2) Brenda Platt, Institute for Local Self Reliance (5 min)**
 - o Brief Economics of Community & Small-scale Composting. Hurdles to achieving scale*
- 3) Annie White, District of Columbia (5 min)**
 - o Economics of Residential Curbside Collection*
 - o Political Economy of Food Waste Collection & Organics Recovery*
- 4) Bill Camarillo, Agromin (5 min)**
 - o How are economics impacted by SSO – processing & end market perspective*
 - o Economics of incorporating SSO into large-scale processing operations*
- 5) Rod Tyler, Filtrexx (5 min)**
 - o As a market innovator, what are the economic opportunity for value-added, premium compost products. What is the role of scale to achieving scalable economics?*
- 6) Discussion with Q&A (Up to 60 min)**
 - o Discussion will focus on contrasting points of view. Presenters from previous sessions are active participants and invited to join in dialogue to discuss ideas.*