

# **1st Puerto Rico Organics Recycling Summit: Managing Organic Debris after Natural Disasters**

Friday May 18, 2018

Terra Campestre | Guaynabo, Puerto Rico

**8:30am**

## **Sign In & Breakfast**

**9:30am**

## **Introduction**

- Welcome, Syracuse University Environmental Finance Center
- Introductions around the room
- Expected Goals for this First Organic Recycling Summit, Carlos E. Pacheco Irizarry PE, *TAIS* & PRRP Organics Team Leader

**10:20am**

## **Community & Composting**

- Composting & Education, Non-Profit Involvement in Composting, Tainachí Fernández, *Puerto Rico Composta*
- A Composting Site in Every Town: Strengthening Community through Compost and Urban Agriculture, Carlos E. Pacheco Irizarry PE, *TAIS* & PRRP Organics Team Leader
- Q & A

**11:20am**

## **Law & Regulations**

- Regulation for the Design & Operation of Municipal Composting Installations, Priscilla Rivera, Esq.
- Municipal Composting: Benefits vs Costs, Miguel Ray, *The Earth Group*
- Q & A

**12:20pm – 1:20pm**

## **Lunch**

**1:20pm**

## **Sustainable Disaster Debris Management**

- Yardwaste & Debris Management Practices During Hurricane María: The Good, the Bad and the Ugly, Daniel Pagan PE, *Asesores Ambientales y Educativos*
- Strategies and Management of Wood Chips in PR Forest, Dr. William Gould, *Caribbean Climate Hub, USDA Forest Service*
- Integrated Sustainability in Puerto Rico's Wood Industry, Wichy Castro, *Puerto Rico Hardwoods Inc.*
- Experience Managing Large Quantities of Disaster Debris for Agricultural Purposes, Dr. Joaquín Chong, *Extensión Agrícola, University of Puerto Rico*
- Q & A

**3:15pm**

## **Working Group Breakout Discussions**

- *Laws, Regulations and Public Policy*
- *Disaster Debris & Yard Waste*
- *Municipal & Community Scale Composting Efforts*
- *Business and Agricultural Composting*
- *Economic value of salvaged woods*

**4:30pm**

## **Adjourn**

- Final Remarks

