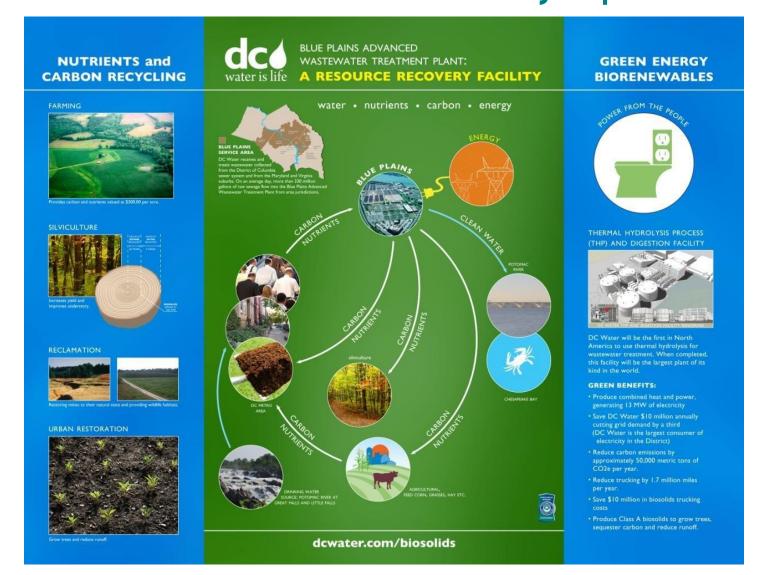


# August, 2018

# Biosolids Resource Recovery Monthly Report



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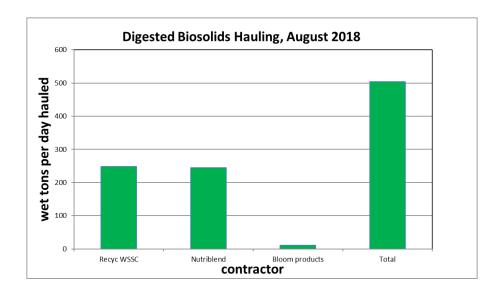
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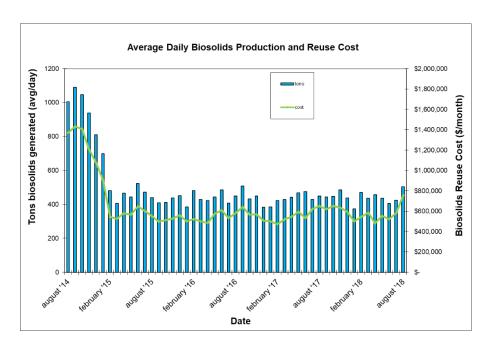
The mission of the DC Water Resource Recovery Program is to provide reliable, diversified, flexible, sustainable, environmentally sound, publically acceptable and cost-effective reuse of the Biosolids assets produced by the Blue Plains Resource Recovery Plant while helping preserve agriculture and protect the Chesapeake Bay



#### **RESOURCE RECOVERY**

In August, biosolids hauling averaged 504 wet tons per day (wtpd). The average percent solids for the Class A material was 33.8%. The graph below shows average daily biosolids produced and the associated monthly cost for reuse (transportation and application cost) for a three-year period ending August 2017. In August, diesel prices averaged \$3.39/gallon, and with the contractual fuel surcharge, the weighted average biosolids reuse cost (considering the marketed material) was \$43.80 per wet ton.

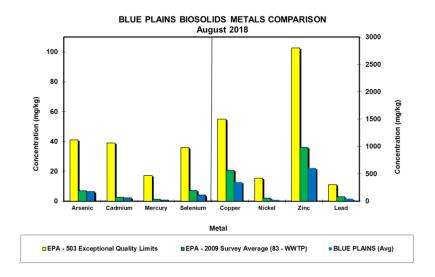




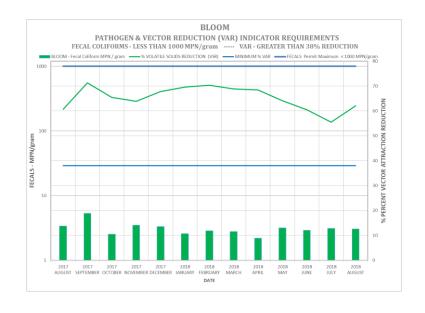
The average quanities of Class A biosolids transported and applied on farms by the two major contracts (WSSC's Recyc and DC Water's Nutriblend) and the quantites marketed as Bloom are shown on the graph above. In August, 340 wet tons of Bloom were distributed to 11 customers.

### **Product Quality**

All biosolids produced during the month of August met Class A Exceptional Quality (EQ) requirements required by EPA. The graph below shows the EPA regulated heavy metals average concentrations in the Class A biosolids. The concentrations are considerably below the regulated exceptional quality limits (EPA-503 Exceptional Quality Limits) and the national average (EPA-2009 Survey Average).

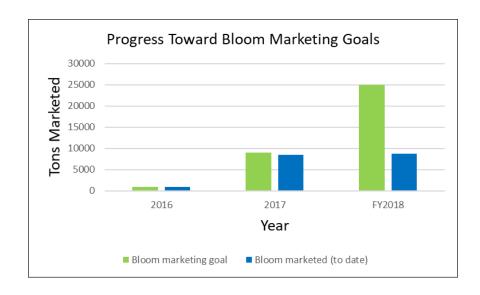


The graph below shows both Vector Attraction Reduction (VAR) and Fecal Coliform (FC) results in the Class A product, both of which are required to maintain the Class A Exceptional Quality (EQ) status. Vector Attraction Reduction is measured by the reduction in Volatile Solids (VS) or organic compounds that July be odorous and attract nuisance vectors such as flies and rodent. DC Water anaerobic digesters reduced VS by over 65 percent, well above the required 38 percent minimum. In addition, the graph shows fecal coliforms levels in the Class A product. Fecal coliforms are indicators of disease causing organisim (pathogens), and must be below 1,000 MPN/g to meet Class A standards. The FC levels in the Class A product are two orders of magnitude less than the maximum allowable level.



## **Bloom Marketing**

Bloom sales as of September 1<sup>st</sup> total 8773 tons for the calendar year. This represents 35% of the goal 25,000 tons. Goals were set last year for this year, and with the September sales, we are striving to meet this aggressive goal. We will likely fall short, but have learned a lot, and have some marketing reinforcement coming for FY19.



## **Bloom Reuse and Value Map**

This map shows where Bloom was reused on agricultural land and sold into the market as a soil amendment product. We now possess our Distribution and Marketing permit for the state of VA, and are beginning to make deliveries to VA.

