

City of Rochelle
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Biosolids (Sludge) Application

The City of Rochelle Water Reclamation Facility is offering biosolids to be used as a fertilizer on agricultural land. We are developing the 2024 application schedule. If you are interested in receiving this material as a fertilizer in 2024, please complete the attached questionnaire and return it to us as soon as possible.

The City of Rochelle will be following these guidelines for distribution of biosolids:

1. Biosolids will be applied in the spring, summer or fall of 2024 to fields scheduled to be planted in corn.
2. We will receive requests from interested persons and evaluate each site as to its suitability and overall disbursement to the City.
3. The City will perform soil testing and analysis of prospective fields at no cost to the property owner/operator. Soil samples will be taken asap.
4. Based on the results of the soil analysis, the City will determine if pH of the soil needs to be raised, and the quantity of lime to be applied. Current State of Illinois regulations require that soil pH be a minimum of 6.5 prior to application of biosolids.
5. The City will provide and apply the biosolids at no cost to the owner.
6. The land owner/operator will be responsible for transporting the biosolids in accordance with state and federal regulations.
7. The owner/operator will incorporate the biosolids into the soil by disc or chisel plow within 6 hours after completion of application and prior to any rainfall.

Please be advised that submitting the questionnaire does not guarantee that you will receive biosolids. However, it would be to your benefit to return the attached questionnaire as soon as you can. The questionnaire may be mailed, or hand delivered to us at the above address. You may also email the questionnaire to alanning@rmu.net.

For any questions, please call us at 815-561-2067.