



# GEORGIA

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION

**Jeffrey W. Cown, Director**

**Southwest District**  
2024 Newton Road  
Albany, Georgia 31701  
229-430-4144

February 19, 2026

Mr. Charles Kincaid, Operator  
Caton Farms, LLC  
tkincaid1967@gmail.com

**RE: Notice of Violation**  
**Caton Farms, LLC**  
**Permit No. PBR-010-0020(CO)**  
**Berrien County, Georgia**

Dear Mr. Kincaid:

A routine compliance inspection was conducted at the above referenced composting facility by representatives of the Georgia Environmental Protection Division on February 10, 2026. This Notice of Violation is issued to Caton Farms, LLC for deficiencies with regard to the referenced Permit and the Georgia Rules for Solid Waste Management (Rules). The enclosed Compost Class 2 Permit-by-Rule Checklist notes three (3) deficiencies, which are listed below for your review and attention:

1. Permit Condition 3 (xi) - *Facilities accepting Category B feedstocks from offsite shall track incoming feedstocks and finished compost. Records documenting compliance of the composting facility with these Rules shall be kept for a minimum of three years in a form suitable for submission to or inspection by the Division. Records shall include the weight or volume (in tons or cubic yards) of the feedstocks accepted, total compost produced, and any amount sold or used. Some records were incomplete at the time of the inspection.*
2. Permit Condition 3 (vii) - *By the end of each operating day, all incoming Category B feedstock must be processed into the active composting area, transferred to leak-proof containment, or mixed with bulking material and covered in a manner that minimizes nuisance odors and scavenging by vectors. Soybean material (Category B feedstock) is stored without being mixed or covered to minimize odors or vectors.*
3. Permit Condition 3 (ix) - *Storage of finished compost on site is limited to 12 months, unless approved by the Division on a case-by-case basis. During the inspection, windrows observed from the previous February 18, 2025 inspection were observed again. Unclear records and relatively unchanged site conditions indicate that feedstock is not being composted in a timely manner and remains accumulated speculatively.*