

# SunOpta

## Omak, Washington

### Solid Waste Control Plan

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The solid waste produced at the SunOpta facility in Omak, Washington will be handled in the following manner. The following outline will cover waste streams from fruit processing and covers all aspects of processes including packaging.

### **Description of Process**

Fruit Extrusion Process. Apple and vegetable puree, apple and vegetable juice concentrate are received via truck in metal drums and wood totes. The puree and concentrate are pumped to a mixing tank where flavor and color are added along with some minor dry ingredients. The mixed product passes through a steam heated evaporator to remove excess moisture. The product is then cooled and cut to length, each resulting bar is individually packaged and placed in cartons. The cartons are furthered placed in corrugated cases to be palletized and shipped out via truck.

### **Processed Apple Waste**

All unpackaged process apple and vegetable wastes (including waste from puree and concentrate) are trucked to awaiting feedlots in the area to be used to feed various livestock.

Solid Waste	
Type	Quantity pounds/year
Unpackaged Process Waste	640,000

Gebbers Farms is the principal hauler for the unpackaged process waste and wet process solid wastes; the waste is trucked to the Gebbers Farms Feedlot located in Brewster, Washington.

**Solid Waste Haulers**

Gebbers Farms  
25985 State Highway 97  
Brewster, Washington 98812  
(509) 689-3424

**Packaging Materials**

All packaging materials from the main process as well as the small satellite repack lines consist of cardboard cartons or cases. All carton waste is flattened via a cardboard bailer and loaded on trailer provided by RockTenn Recycling. Non fiber packaging waste is loaded in a dumpster provided by Sunrise Disposal.

**Recycle Cardboard**

RockTenn Recycling  
701 Southwest 34<sup>th</sup> St.  
Seattle, WA 98055  
Lesley Schlesinger (425) 251-4252

Sunrise Disposal  
330 Ferry St.  
Omak, WA 98841  
Dick Howe (509) 422-4530

**Other Solid Waste Streams**

Single-use alkaline batteries are disposed of through an approved program with Okanogan County Landfill. Items are collected in approved containers; they are recycled and new receptacles are left in their place.

Normal trash from the lunch room area, wood debris and office trash is disposed through dumpsters provided by Sunrise Disposal.

**Recycler**

Okanogan County Central Landfill  
1234 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue South  
Okanogan, WA 98840  
Sue Christopher (509) 422-2602

Sunrise Disposal  
330 Ferry St.  
Omak, WA 98841  
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**Recycling Program**

The SunOpta Omak facility as a friend to the environment has active recycling programs which include the recycling of steel drums from the process area and fiber/cardboard.

**Recycle Scrap Steel**

Randy's Towing  
2135 Elmway  
Okanogan, WA 98840  
(509) 422-3170