

Dell Diamond goes green this season

Stadium is environmentally-friendly, minimal waste

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ROUND ROCK, Texas (KXAN) - There is a lot of buzz about the Round Rock Express and the team's ballpark – the Dell Diamond – after coming off a very successful 2011 season. As they open at home Friday against the Iowa Cubs, people are also talking about how they have “really cleaned up their act” with upgrades to their stadium.

The Dell Diamond is now an environmentally friendly “minimal waste” facility. The Express have partnered with Texas Disposal Systems and the city of Round Rock to pioneer the efforts.

All of the trash cans, will now have recycling and composting bins for fans to discard their concession waste. The maintenance crew will also be using treated wastewater for the field and landscaping, instead of potable drinking water, as part of the city's water reclamation system.

The measures put the Dell Diamond at the forefront of sports venues across the country, and only the San Francisco Giants are matching their efforts. Together with a winning team, the Express hopes it will enhance the entertainment value for fans.

The Dell Diamond was also one of the first stadium's with Wi-Fi.