Manure Management

An overview & guide to completing a manure management plan for your farm



Jefferson County Conservation District (814) 849 - 7463

Why the need for a plan?

- Set a level of standards for all operations across PA to improve manure management
- Organize information
- Maximize use of on-farm nutrients without over applying N or P
- Prevent runoff of nutrients & sedimentation
- Pathogen control



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Manure Management Plan Requirements

- Every PA farm that has animals or land applies manure must have & implement a written Manure Management Plan
- Can be prepared by farmer or trained individual
- Format & worksheets from manual must be followed unless an alternative is approved by DEP
- Doesn't need to be submitted for approval
 - But must be available to DEP or Conservation District staff upon request for inspection
- Records of implementation must be kept on the farm

What are Nutrient Management Plans?

Required for CAOs & CAFOs

CAO: Concentration Animal Operations

- >2,000 lbs of animal wt. per acre*, & at least 8,000lbs of animal wt.
- Regulated by PA SCC under PA's Nutrient Management Act (Act 38)

*cropland, hay land, pasture

CAFO: Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations

- >1,000,000 lbs animal wt. (regardless of acreage)
- >300,000 lbs animal wt., and a CAO.
- Regulated by PA DEP
- Requires a CAFO permit

Manure Management Manual Components

- Guidelines/Examples
- Workbook
- Recordkeeping Forms
- Application Rate Tables

LAND APPLICATION OF MANURE

A supplement to Manure Management for Environmental Protection

Manure Management Plan Guidance

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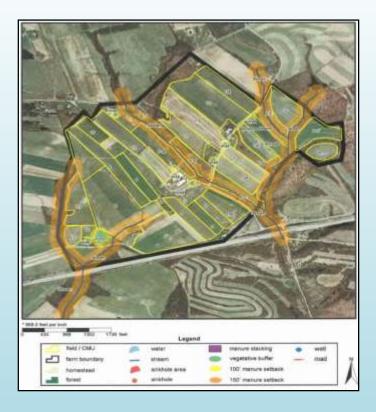


FARM MAPS

- Farm boundaries
- Field boundaries, names, acreage
- Slope identification for fields receiving winter application
- ✓ Environmentally sensitive areas & setbacks
- Manure storage structures
- Manure stockpiling & stacking areas
- ✓ Pastures
- Animal Concentration Areas
- Road names

MAP SOURCES

- Hand drawn
- FSA Maps
- Conservation Plan Maps (NRCS)
- Google Earth
- PA Onestop
- Texas A&M Forest Service "Map My Property"
- Web Soil Survey



MANURE MANAGEMENT PLAN CHECKLIST

	Manure Management Plan Page No.	Completed or Reviewed	Not Needed
REQUIRED SECTIONS			
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Animal Concentration Areas (If the farm has ACAs) SEE NOTE BELOW			
ACA Worksheet	9-10		
Please note that all farms with crops or ACAs must also have an Agricultural Erosion and Sediment Control Plan meeting the requirements of 25 Pa. Code Chapter 102. Additional information can be obtained from the county conservation district.			

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MANURE MANAGEMENT PLAN

CONTACT INFORMATION PAGE (See Page 3 of Manure Management Guidance Instructions)

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Name of Owner/Operator:	<u></u>
Operation Street Address:	X i-
City, State and Zip Code:	<u></u>
Phone number (Home/Barn):
(Cell):	
Email Address:	
	(if other than owner/operator)
Preparer Name:	
	(if other than owner/operator)
Preparer Organization:	
Preparer Organization: Street Address:	
Preparer Organization: Street Address: City, State and Zip Code:	
Preparer Organization: Street Address: City, State and Zip Code:	
Preparer Name: Preparer Organization: Street Address: City, State and Zip Code: Phone Number (Business): (Cell): Email Address:	

Note that the manure management plan must be evaluated by the owner/operator annually and updated when necessary to keep the plan consistent with farm management practices.

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OPERATION INFORMATION PAGE

(See Page 4 of Manure Management Guidance Instructions)

	Animal type	Animal # (normal production day)	Days on farm per year			
c.	Crop Rotations used on the Ope	ration (use additional pa	ges if necessary): _	2)		
d.	Environmentally Sensitive Area Private or public drinking water w Streams, lakes or ponds Sinkholes Areas of concentrated flow includ For winter application, above grow	rells ing swales, ditches, gullies.		es es es	No No No No	
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ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE AREAS WORKSHEET

Use Additional Sheets as Necessary (See Pages 6 and 7 of Manure Management Guidance Instructions)

Field Identification	Environmentally Sensitive Area (stream, lake, pond, sinkhole, drinking water source, concentrated flow area)	Setback or restricted distance	Is this setback restricted area shown on the plan map (yes/no)

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Setbacks

Only relevant to <u>mechanical</u> manure application

100' setback from ESAs, including: streams, lakes, ponds, sinkholes, drinking water sources.

Setback can be reduced (except in winter) for streams, lakes, ponds to: **50'** if recent soil test <200ppm P, use no-till & cover crops **35'** if a permanent vegetated buffer is established

Environmentally Sensitive Areas

Environmentally Sensitive Areas

No application within the channel of a non-vegetated concentrated water flow area (swales, gullies, ditches)



EXAMPLE Environmentally Sensitive Areas Page 4

Field Identification	Environmentally Sensitive Area (stream, lake, pond, sinkhole, drinking water source, concentrated flow area)	Setback or restricted distance	Is this setback restricted area shown on the plan map (yes/no)
1	Stream	50' (cover crop)	Yes
16	Home water well	100'	Yes
10	Stream	35' (buffer)	Yes

WINTER APPLICATION WORKSHEET

Use Additional Sheets as Necessary

(See Pages 8 and 9 of Manure Management Guidance Instructions)

Field Identification	Type of Manure (from the manure application charts)	Winter Season Application Rate	Percentage of Crop Residue	Type of Cover Crop (if applicable)	Field Slope Percentag
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Winter Spreading

Winter is defined as:

- December 15 February 28 or
- Ground is frozen ≥4 in. or
- Ground is snow covered





Winter Spreading

Maximum Application Rate:

- 5000 gallons/acre liquid manure
- 20 tons/acre dry non-poultry manure
- 3 tons/acre dry poultry manure





Winter Spreading



This level of residue might be expected from a fall chisel with twisted shanks, a deep spring disking, a field cultivation, and planting. *



This level of residue might be expected from a fall chisel with twisted shanks, a spring shallow disking, a field cultivation, and planting. *

Must have at least 25% plant or residue cover.



This level of residue might be expected from one fall chisel with straight shanks, a shallow disking in the spring, a field cultivation, and planting. *



This level of residue might be expected from a fall shallow disking, one spring field cultivation, and planting. Paraplowing in the fall followed by a spring field cultivation and planting would be similar. *



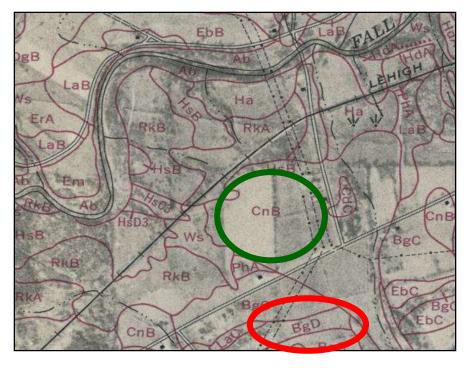
This level of residue will be difficult to reach without using a no-till system. One tillage system that could produce 50 percent ground cover after planting is to field cultivate twice in the spring and plant. *



This level of residue might be expected from a no-till system where you plant directly into the existing residue. Another system is to field cultivate once in the spring and plant, *

Winter Spreading

No application permitted on slopes >15% (NRCS soil survey slope designations A, B, C are acceptable) Soil Map Sources: Web Soil Survey Penn Soil PA Onestop







Winter Spreading

Environmentally Sensitive Area Setback Restrictions

100' setback from an above ground inlet to an agricultural drainage system

- Such as inlet pipes to piped outlet terraces
- Where surface water flow is toward the above ground inlet

100' setback can't be reduced for streams, lakes, ponds as it can in non-winter months when certain management practices are applied.

EXAMPLE Winter Application Page 5

Field Identification	Type of Manure (from the manure application charts)	Winter Season Application Rate	Percentage of Crop Residue	Type of Cover Crop (if applicable)	Field Slope Percentage
22	Solid dairy	20 ton/acre	NA	Grass Hay	3-8%

MANURE MANAGEMENT PLAN SUMMARY

Use Additional Sheets as Necessary

(See Pages 10-12 of Manure Management Guidance Instructions)

Crop Group and Yield (a)	Manure Group (b)	Application Season (c)	Planned Application Rate from C, NBS, PI * (d)	Incorporation Timing (e)	Commercial Fertilizer Application Rate (f)	Fields where this crop group can be used (g)
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						-
			2		-	
			-			-

- *C The application rate was taken from the charts in Appendix 1. Page 2 of Appendix 1 contains an explanation and example of how to use the rate charts when filling out this Manure Management Plan Summary.
- NBS The application rate was calculated using Nutrient Balance Sheet.
- PI The application rate was calculated by a Certified Nutrient Management Planner using the Phosphorus Index.

No single application can exceed 9,000 gallons. For applications rates greater than 9,000 gallons, the application must be split into multiple applications with no evidence of pooling between applications.



(a) Crop Group & Yield

• List crops that might receive manure

(consider crop rotation)

- List crop groups separately (corn silage vs corn grain)
- List crops that follow a legume separately (corn silage after soybeans)

Crop Group and Yield (a) Corn Silage 23 tons Corn Silage after alfalfa 23 tons Grass Hay 5 tons

(b) Manure Group

- List the manure type each crop group will receive
- Solid or liquid (different manure, different group)

Crop Group and Yield (a)	Manure Group (b)
Corn Silage	Liquid Dairy
23 tons	
Corn Silage after alfalfa	Liquid Dairy
23 tons	
Grass Hay	Liquid Dairy
5 tons	
Grass Hay	Solid Dairy
5 tons	

(c) Application Season					
 Spring, Summer, Fall, Winter Different season, different group 					
Crop Group and Yield Manure Group Application (a) (b) Season (c)					
Corn Silage 23 tons	Liquid Dairy	Spring			
Corn Silage after alfalfa 23 tons	Liquid Dairy	Spring			
Grass Hay 5 tons	Liquid Dairy	Spring			
Grass Hay 5 tons	Solid Dairy	Fall			
Grass Hay 5 tons	Solid Dairy	Winter			

(d) Planned Application Rate

Record what you plan to spread on each crop group.

**You will need to confirm that you are not going over the maximum rate determined from either the Chart (Application Rate Tables), Nutrient Balance Sheet, or Phosphorus Index

(d) Planned Application Rate from C, NBS, Pl

C: Charts (Manure Application Rate Tables)

• Easiest, but not farm specific – based on averages

NBS: Nutrient Balance Sheet

• More involved, but farm specific

PI: Phosphorus Index

- Most complex, but also more flexible, & farm specific
- Assesses risk of phosphorus runoff into waterways
- Must be calculated by an authorized Planner

(d) Planned Application Rate

Crop Group and Yield (a)	Manure Group (b)	Application Season (c)	Planned Application Rate from C, NBS, PI* (d)
Corn Silage 23 tons	Liquid Dairy	Spring	9,000 gal/A C
Corn Silage after alfalfa 23 tons	Liquid Dairy	Spring	9,000 gal/A C
Grass Hay 5 tons	Liquid Dairy	Spring	9,000 gal/A C
Grass Hay 5 tons	Solid Dairy	Fall	I5 ton/A C
Grass Hay 5 tons	Solid Dairy	Winter	I5 ton/A C

(e) Incorporation Timing

When & how you apply affects the availability of Nitrogen

Options in Application Rate Tables

- Spring incorporated within I day
- Spring incorporation within I week
- Spring no incorporation
- Fall
- Winter with cover crop
- Winter no cover crop

(e) Incorporation Timing

Crop Group and Yield (a)	Manure Group (b)	Application Season (c)	Planned Application Rate from C, NBS, PI* (d)	Incorporation Timing (e)
Corn Silage 23 tons	Liquid Dairy	Spring	9,000 gal/A C	No incorporation
Corn Silage after alfalfa 23 tons	Liquid Dairy	Spring	9,000 gal/A C	No incorporation
Grass Hay 5 tons	Liquid Dairy	Spring	9,000 gal/A C	No incorporation
Grass Hay 5 tons	Solid Dairy	Fall	I5 ton/A C	No Incorporation
Grass Hay 5 tons	Solid Dairy	Winter	I5 ton/A C	No Incorporation

(f) Commercial Fertilizer Application Rate(g) Fields where this crop group can be used

Crop Group & Yield (a)	Manure Group (b)	App. Season (c)	Planned Application Rate (d) C, NBS, PI	Incorp. Timing (e)	Comm. Fertilizer App. Rate (f)	Fields where crop group can be used(g)
Corn Silage 23 tons	Liquid Dairy	Spring	9,000 gal/A C	No Incorp.	110 lbs. N	FI-FIO

Using Manure Application Rate Tables

Step 1: Determine if using <u>N-based</u> or <u>Crop P-removal</u> based tables

• N-based: if soil tests show <200ppm P

Crop P-Removal: if soil tests show >200ppm
 P <u>or</u> no soil tests are available

Step 2: Find manure type to be applied at top of page

Step 3: Find crop group manure will be applied on

Corn Grain			Manure Application Rate						
	100-	130	131	131-160 161-1			191-	220	Adjustment For each 1000 gal/A less than the
Manure Application Method	Manure gal/A	Fert N Ib/A	Manure gal/A	Fert N Ib/A	Manure gal/A	Fert N Ib/A	Manure gal/A	Fert N Ib/A	rate in the table, apply lbs. N fertilizer listed below.
Spring Incorporation within 1 day	8000	0	10000	0	12000	0	14000	0	14
Spring Incorporation within 1 week	11000	0	14000	0	16000	15	16000	45	10
Spring No Incorporation	16000	20	16000	50	16000	80	16000	110	6
Fall	16000	20	16000	50	16000	80	16000	110	6
Winter with cover crop	5000	55	5000	85	5000	115	5000	145	11
Winter No cover crop	5000	80	5000	110	5000	140	5000	170	6
Corn Grain after Alfalfa									
Corn Grain after Alfalfa	Yield Groups (bu/A)								
	100-130		131-160		161-	-190	191-220		For each 1000 gal/A less than
Manure Application Method	Manure gal/A	Fert N Ib/A	Manure gal/A	Fert N Ib/A	Manure gal/A	Fert N Ib/A	Manure gal/A	Fert N Ib/A	the rate in the table, apply lbs N fertilizer listed below.
Spring Incorporation within 1 day	4000	0	5000	0	6000	0	8000	0	14
Spring Incorporation within 1 week	5000	0	7000	0	9000	0	11000	0	10
Spring No Incorporation	9000	0	13000	0	16000	0	16000	20	6
Fall	9000	0	13000	0	16000	0	16000	20	6
Winter with cover crop	4000	0	5000	15	5000	35	5000	55	11
Winter No cover crop	5000	20	5000	40	5000	60	5000	80	6
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Corn Grain after Soybeans	Yield Groups (bu/A)								
	100-	130	131-160		161-190		191-220		
Manure Application Method	Manure gal/A	Fert N Ib/A	Manure gal/A	Fert N Ib/A	Manure gal/A	Fert N Ib/A	Manure gal/A	Fert N Ib/A	For each 1000 gal/A less tha the rate in the table, apply lb N fertilizer listed below.
Spring Incorporation within 1 day	5000	0	6000	0	8000	0	9000	0	14
Spring Incorporation within 1 week	7000	0	9000	0	11000	0	13000	0	10
Spring No Incorporation	13000	0	16000	0	16000	20	16000	40	6
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Liquid Dairy

Application Date

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Corn Silage									
	17-21		22-25		26-29		30-33		
Manure Application Method	Manure gal/A	Fert N Ib/A	For each 1000 gal/A less than the rate in the table, apply lbs. N fertilizer listed below.						
Spring Incorporation within 1 day	9000	0	11000	0	14000	0	16000	0	14
Spring Incorporation within 1 week	13000	0	16000	0	16000	35	16000	65	10
Spring No Incorporation	16000	40	16000	70	16000	100	16000	130	6
Faff	16000	40	16000	70	16000	100	16000	130	6
Winter with cover crop	5000	75	5000	105	5000	135	5000	165	11
Winter No cover crop	5000	100	5000	130	5000	160	5000	190	6

Fall

Winter with cover crop

Winter No cover crop

Corn Silage after Alfalfa									
	17-21		22-25		26-29		30-33		
Manure Application Method	Manure gal/A	Fert N Ib/A	For each 1000 gal/A less than the rate in the table, apply lbs. N fertilizer listed below.						
Spring Incorporation within 1 day	5000	0	6000	0	8000	0	9000	0	14
Spring Incorporation within 1 week	7000	0	9000	0	11000	0	13000	0	10
Spring No Incorporation	13000	0	16000	0	16000	20	16000	40	6
Fall	13000	0	16000	0	16000	20	16000	40	6
Winter with cover crop	5000	15	5000	35	5000	55	5000	75	11
Winter No cover crop	5000	40	5000	60	5000	80	5000	100	6

<u>Step 4:</u> Find the yield at the top <u>Step 5:</u> Find application method in left column <u>Step 6:</u> Find rate on the table

Corn Silage			Manure Application						
	17-21		22-25		26-29		30-33		Rate Adjustment
Manure Application Method	Manure gal/A	Fert N Ib/A	Manure gal/A	Fert N Ib/A	Manure gal/A	Fert N Ib/A	Manure gal/A	Fert N Ib/A	For each 1000 gal/A less than the rate in the table, apply lbs. N fertilizer listed below.
Spring Incorporation within I day	9000	0	11000	0	14000	0	16000	0	14
Spring Incorporation within I week	13000	0	16000	0	I 6000	35	16000	65	10
Spring No Incorporation	16000		16000	70	16000	100	16000	130	6
Fall	16000	40	16000	70	16000	100	No more than 9000 gal/A of liquid manure can be applied in a		
Winter with cover crop	5000	75	5000	105	5000	135	single application. Spilt higher rates into multiple applications.		
Winter No cover crop	5000	100	5000	130	5000	160			

Step 7: Go back to page 6 of your workbook (Manure Management Plan Summary) be sure that *your* planned rate and amt. of fertilizer you want to apply does not exceed the amounts in the table

Crop Group & Yield (a)	Manure Group (b)	App. Season (c)	Planned Application Rate (d)	Incorp. Timing (e)	Comm. Fertilizer App. Rate (f)	Fields where crop group can be used(g)
Corn Silage 23 tons	Liquid Dairy	Spring	9,000 gal/A C	No Incorp.	I I 0 lbs. N	FI-FIO
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MANURE STORAGE FACILITIES (PROVIDE FOR EACH FACILITY) Use Additional Sheets as Necessary (See Page 18 of Manure Management Guidance Instructions)

Type of storage(s) (concrete or metal tank, under building structure, earthen or clay or synthetically lined pond or lagoon, exposed concrete pad, roofed solid manure stacking pad, etc.) and year(s) of construction:

Approximate size and volume (for liquid and semisolid manure) of existing manure storage(s), indicate if exposed to precipitation.

Indicate if any additional materials are added to the manure including bedding, agricultural process wastewater (water system overflow, wash water, milkhouse waste, egg wash water, etc.):

Manure storage(s) related practices that need to be installed on the farm to address identified problems (such as inadequate storage volume, leaking facilities, inadequate maintenance, runoff from a stack that directly reaches a water body, etc.) and an implementation schedule (season and year) for installation of the practices:

NOTE - If you generate or import agricultural process wastewater at the farm, this wastewater must be included in your manure management plan. On many farms, this wastewater is mixed with manure within the manure storage facility. In that case, there is no separate planning requirement for the agricultural process wastewater. If the agricultural process wastewater is not mixed with manure in the manure storage facility, you should contact the county conservation district or DEP to discuss the process for managing that wastewater.

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Manure Storages

- As of 2000, liquid & semi-solid manure storages must be designed by a licensed PA Professional Engineer. Copy of certification must be kept on site.
- Require a DEP permit if:
 >2.5 million gallons or
 > I million gallons in a SP or impaired
 - watershed
- Maintain required freeboard
 (12" storage ponds, 6" all other storages)
- check for leaks, overflow, debris, etc.





Stacking Areas

In the Field

- 100' setback from ESAs
- Divert upslope water
- Stack on slopes <8%
- Cover stack if there >120 days
- Manure must be dry enough to stack at least 4ft high
- Cannot be in the same spot every year in crop fields



Stacking Areas

On the Farmstead

- Must used improved stacking pad or covered area
- Don't need to follow same restrictions as stacks in the field





Unimproved & Unacceptable Farmstead Manure Stacking

Example Page 5

1. Manure Storage Facilities

MANURE STORAGE FACILITIES (PROVIDE FOR EACH FACILITY) Use Additional Sheets as Necessary (See Instructions on Pages 18)

Type of storage(s) (concrete or metal tank, under building structure, earthen or clay or synthetically lined pond or lagoon, exposed concrete pad, roofed solid manure stacking pad, etc.) and year(s) of construction:

Concrete circular tank constructed in 1998 Manure stacking pad constructed in 2005

Approximate size and volume (for liquid and semisolid manure) of existing manure storage(s), indicate if exposed to precipitation.

Concrete Tank 92' diameter, 11' deep (excluding freeboard of 6 inches) exposed to precipitation, 550,000 gallons capacity

Stacking pad 50' by 60'

Indicate if any additional materials are added to the manure including bedding, agricultural process wastewater (water system overflow, wash water, milkhouse waste, egg wash water, etc.):

Tank -150 gallons per day of milkhouse water

Pad - straw bedding used for stacked manure

Manure storage(s) related practices that need to be installed on the farm to address identified problems (such as inadequate storage volume, leaking facilities, inadequate maintenance, runoff from a stack that directly reaches a water body, etc.) and an implementation schedule (season and year) for installation of the practices:

Tank - No problems found with tank

Pad - Need to direct clean water from pad; To be completed in Spring of 2012.

NOTE - If you generate or import agricultural process wastewater at the farm, this wastewater must be included in your manure management plan. On many farms, this wastewater is mixed with manure within the manure storage facility. In that case, there is no separate planning requirement for the agricultural process wastewater. If the agricultural process wastewater is not mixed with manure in the manure storage facility, you should contact the county conservation district or DEP to discuss the process for managing that wastewater.

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PASTURE MANAGEMENT WORKSHEET (See Page 21 of Manure Management Guidance Instructions)

All pastures on the farm must be listed in the Manure Management Plan and identified on the farm map.

Please identify your pasture management approach below:

- I have a grazing plan meeting the requirements of the Natural Resources Conservation Service Pennsylvania Technical Guide Practice Standard 528 for Prescribed Grazing.
- I am managing my pastures by maintaining dense vegetation in the pasture throughout the growing season. Dense vegetation means that the pasture is managed to minimize bare spots and to maintain an average vegetation height across the pasture during the growing season at least 3 inches high.

Grazed fields that do not have an NRCS grazing plan which are overgrazed (as defined as not meeting the management requirements described above in check box "2") need either to be managed to restore dense vegetation or these areas will be defined as Animal Concentration Areas ("ACAs") and will need to meet the requirements of Section 5 Animal Concentration Areas of this manual.

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Evaluating Dense Vegetation

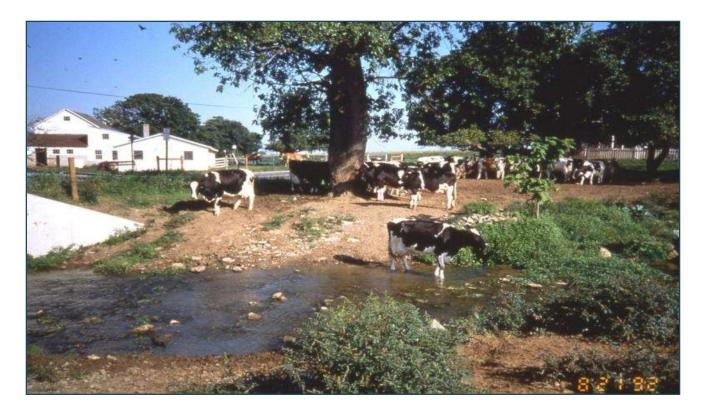
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Pasture Management

- Stream bank fencing not required for true pasture
- If pasture overgrazed, field would be considered a ACA, which <u>does</u> require animal exclusion from stream. Be sure to include area in the ACA worksheet.



Pages 9&10

ANIMAL CONCENTRATION AREA WORKSHEET

Part 2

Use Additional Sheets as Necessary (See Page 22 of Manure Management Guidance Instructions)

	Divert clean ater around ACA	Direct polluted water to storage or vegetated treatment area	Limit access to streams through stabilized crossings and watering areas	Limit size of denuded areas	Locate area where animals congregate (feed areas, shade, etc.) away from streams
			2		
BMPs on ACAs. The years from the date of ms will be able to begin may be needed for costly					
the local conservation time frame for					
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ANIMAL CONCENTRATION AREAS WORKSHEET Part 1

(See Page 22 of Manure Management Guidance Instructions)

Some farms may need technical assistance in order to develop and implement BMPs on ACAs. The farmer has until October 29, 2013, to develop the BMPs and no more than 3 years from the date of developing those BMPs, to implement the BMPs. DEP believes that most farms will be able to begin implementation on a much shorter time frame but recognizes that more time may be needed for costly BMPs.

Farmers with ACAs requiring corrective actions need to immediately contact the local conservation district, NRCS, or a private consultant and must document that contact and the time frame for developing and implementing BMPs.

List date contact was made to the assisting agency/party to help in these efforts:

List who was contacted to assist in these efforts:

What is an ACA?

A confinement or congregation area that will not maintain a growing crop, or where manure deposited by animals is in excess of crop needs



Types of ACAS

- Barnyards
- Feedlots
- Loafing areas
- Exercise lots
- Feeding areas
- Watering areas
- Shaded Areas
- Calf Hutches



Animal Concentration Areas

Note:

small areas such as under a shade tree or near a water bucket do not need to be included in the ACA section if they do not cause manure or sediment runoff into waterways



Animal Concentration Areas

ACA management:

- Divert clean water
- Direct polluted water to storage or vegetated treatment area
- Limit access to streams through stabilized crossings and watering areas
- Limit size of ACA
- Keep animal congregation areas (feeding, shade, watering, etc.) away from streams
- Routinely remove manure

EXAMPLE ACAs Page 10

ANIMAL CONCENTRATION AREA WORKSHEET

Part 2

Use Additional Sheets as Necessary

(See Instructions on Page 22)

	List Yes if BMP has been implemented and if BMP is planned, list planned date for installation							
Location of ACA (refer to Farm Map)	Divert clean water around ACA	Direct polluted water to storage or vegetated treatment area	Limit access to streams through stabilized crossings and watering areas	Limit size of denuded areas	Locate area where animals congregate (feed areas, shade, etc.) away from streams			
North side of heifer barn	Summer 2012	Summer 2012	Summer 2012	Yes	2012			

Recordkeeping

- Manure application records
- Crop yield records
- Manure transfer records
- Manure storage records

Records should be retained on the operation for at least 3 years, and must be available for review by DEP or conservation district upon request



Manure Application Rate Record (p. 12)

MANURE APPLICATION RATE RECORD JANUARY 1, <u>2011</u> THROUGH DECEMBER 31, <u>2011</u>

Use Additional Sheets as Necessary (See Instructions on Page 15)

Date	Field Identification	Acres	Manure Group	Crop Group	Application Rate	Notes
4/22	1,3,5,7	24	Liquid dairy	Corn Silage	9,000 gal	
4/25	2,4,6,8	22	Liquid dairy	Grass Hay	7,000 gal	
10/5	9,11,13	12	Solid dairy	Corn Silage	25 tons	
10/15	10,12,14,16	29	Liquid dairy	Grass Hay	7,000 gal	
10/15	15,17,19	17	Liquid dairy	Corn Silage	9,000 gal	

Crop Yield Record (p. 13)

CROP YIELD RECORD JANUARY 1, <u>2011</u> THROUGH DECEMBER 31, <u>2011</u> Use Additional Sheets as Necessary

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(See Instructions on Page 16)

Field Identification	Crop Group	Date Harvested	Yield Goal	Actual Yield Harvested	Notes
1,3,5,7,9,11, 13,15,17,19, 21,23,25	Corn Silage	September 2010	21 tons	22 tons	
2,4,6,8,10,12, 14,16,18,20, 22,24	Grass Hay	May and August 2010	5 tons	4 tons	

Manure Transfer Record (p.14)

MANURE TRANSFER RECORD JANUARY 1, <u>2011</u> THROUGH DECEMBER 31, <u>2011</u>

Use Additional Sheets as Necessary

(See Instructions on Page 16)

Date	Name of Importer/Broker	Address and Phone Number Importer/Broker	Manure Group	Amount of Manure Transferred	Crop Group and Application Rate
4/20	Bill Jones	55 Manure Road Manure Town 717-555-4567	Solid Beef	20 tons	Unknown
10/5	Bill Jones	55 Manure Road Manure Town 717-555-4567	Solid Beef	15 tons	Unknown

Manure Storage Facility Record (p.15)

MANURE STORAGE FACILITY RECORD MONTHLY INSPECTION FORM Use Additional Sheets as Necessary (See Instructions on Page 17)							
Storage Name	Inspection Date	Manure Depth (liquid)	Depth from Surface of Manure to Freeboard (liquid)	Leak Detection System Inspections. Are there any leaks, overflows, or seepages? Describe.	Structural Integrity. Are there cracks, erosion, slope failures, liner deterioration, rodent holes, large vegetation excessive or lush vegetation, fencing issues, loading area issues? Describe.		
Liquid dairy	1/1/2010	3.5 feet	7.5 feet	None	No problems observed		
Same	2/1/2010	5 feet	6 feet	None	Same		
Same	3/1/2010	6.5 feet	4.5 feet	None	Same		
Same	4/1/2010	8 feet	3 feet	None	Same		
Same	5/1/2010	1 foot	10 feet	None	Same		
Same	6/1/2010	2.5 feet	8.5 feet	None	Same		

Resources

- PA Nutrient Management Program http://panutrientmgmt.cas.psu.edu/
- Jefferson County Conservation District http://www.jeffersonconservation.com
- Natural Resource Conservation Service
 <u>http://www.pa.nrcs.usda.gov/</u>
- Penn State Extension <u>http://extension.psu.edu/</u>