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## Livestock Facility Siting

# Waste and Nutrient Management (Worksheet 3)

#### Who must complete the Waste and Nutrient Management Worksheet?

All applicants must complete Parts A and B. Applicants over 500 animal units (AU), and those under 500 AU that do not meet the required land base ratio in Part B must complete Part C (Nutrient Management Checklist).

### **Does the application require a P-based or N-based Nutrient Management Plan?**

Applicants must meet the NRCS 590 technical standard (September 2005), which is based on Phosphorus limitations.

#### I write my own nutrient management plan. Can I certify my own checklist?

No. The nutrient management checklist must be signed by both the applicant and by a qualified planner other than the applicant. To find a qualified nutrient management planner, use these certifications websites. Wisconsin qualified planners are: American Society of Agronomy *Certified Crop Advisors* and *Professional Agronomists*; Soil Science Society of America *Soil Scientists* <u>https://www.soils.org/certifications/</u>; or National Association of Independent Crop Consultants *Certified Professional Crop Consultants* <u>http://www.naicc.org/Directory/bystate.cfm?c=wi</u>.

#### Is cost-sharing available?

Cost-sharing may be available to help you complete a nutrient management plan, but is not required. Check with your county land conservation department or NRCS office for cost-sharing availability.

#### I have a WPDES permit. Do I need to complete this worksheet?

Applicants with a WPDES permit that covers the animal units included in the expanded facility may substitute the WPDES permit in lieu of completing the checklist.

#### Does this standard prohibit winter spreading?

No. The Nutrient Management checklist requires compliance with the NRCS 590 technical standard, which limits winter spreading, but does not prohibit it. Applicants may want to consider writing and following a winter spreading plan that identifies the least risky areas to spread manure in the winter, if winter spreading may occur.

#### Do I have to own all the land used for spreading manure?

No. The standard requires that you have adequate land base available to meet the nutrient management checklist. Land can be owned, rented, or under contract.

#### Can a local government require me to submit the full nutrient management plan?

No, however a local government can require the nutrient management planner to submit documentation to substantiate any of the checklist items. A local government can also require submissions of annual updates to the plan.

For more information about nutrient management planning contact DATCP's nutrient management specialists at 608-224-4605 or 608-224-4524.