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Updated MMP

The Manure Management Plan forms and e-Filing program have been updated to address the 219/2006 amendment regarding Phosphorus. Copies can be obtained from Conservation offices or our website:

www.gov.mb.ca/conservation/envprograms/livestock

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Pig Industry Review

The *Livestock Manure and Mortalities Management Regulation* amendment: Manitoba Regulation 238/2006 was registered on December 7, 2006. The amendment temporarily suspends the director of Manitoba Conservation's authority to issue construction permits re: pigs. The suspension for issuance of permits for construction of confined livestock areas and manure storage facilities will be in place until the Clean Environment Commission (CEC) has completed its review of the environmental sustainability of pig operations and provides a report to the Minister of Conservation.

The CEC investigation includes a review of the environmental protection measures in place in Manitoba; a series of public meetings; a review of the November 8, 2006 Manitoba Conservation report provided to the CEC; a review of efforts in other jurisdictions; and considerations of options. The CEC have been asked to report recommendations to the Minister of Conservation.

The CEC held three preliminary scoping sessions from January 22, 2007 to January 25, 2007 which were followed by public sessions. From March 5, 2007 to April 27, 2007, a series of 17 public sessions had taken place in 14 locations throughout agro-Manitoba to allow groups and individuals to comment on topics or issues related to hog production of concern to them.

Transcripts of the public sessions are available at:
<http://www.cecmanitoba.ca/index.cfm?pageID=89#>

Also, expert reports provided by government agencies and other institutions and organizations commissioned by the Hog Production Industry Panel will be available for public review. These are for information only and have not been interpreted or analyzed by the CEC. The first of these reports is now available with more to come. Public comment on the expert materials will be accepted until **November 15, 2007**. To review the reports go to:
<http://www.cecmanitoba.ca/index.cfm?pageID=95#>

Training Sessions for Manitoba's Livestock Industry on the New P Amendment

The Livestock Section of Environmental Services will hold training sessions during Fall 2007 and Winter 2008. This will include meetings for pig, dairy, beef, and poultry producers.

The training sessions will be broken down into two components: 1) Phosphorus amendment and manure management plan requirements and 2) Available tools (Feed Model for livestock, Phosphorus Budget) including Manitoba Conservation's Plan for director's approval to extend the implementation date for soil phosphorus thresholds, which

regulate livestock manure application on cropland.

The Two main objectives of the training session are to familiarize producers and consultants with the recent amendments to the *Livestock Manure and Mortalities Management Regulation* and also provide tools to evaluate the phosphorus status of an agricultural operation. See **important dates** section of this and future newsletters for details.

Sustainable Development Innovations Fund (SDIF)

Manitoba Conservation is supporting a project dealing with the use of a Decanter-Centrifuge unit (mobile unit) at a Manitoba pig operation. This unit operates at a high efficiency; removing approximately 70% of phosphorus from raw manure (the liquid fraction keeps most of the nitrogen for crop growth without phosphorus). The remaining solid fraction contains most of the phosphorus and is ready to compost. The objectives of this project are to promote research opportunities and demonstrate new initiatives concerning liquid manure management in Manitoba. The final report will be available this fall. Call Marc Trudelle at 945-3789 for details.

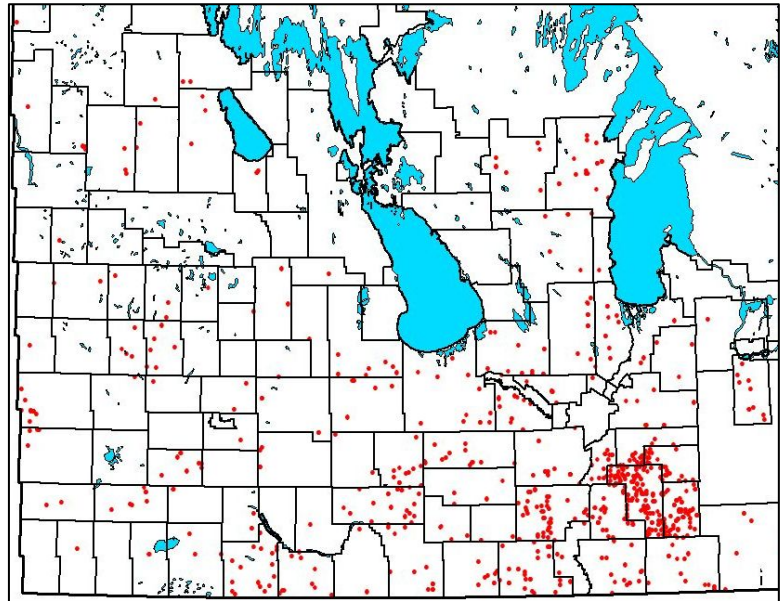


Figure 2. Permitted Manure Storage Facilities, 2007

Important Dates

November 28th – Manitoba Conservation Training Session for Beef Producers. Location: Super 8, Dauphin, 1-5pm.*

December 4th – Manitoba Conservation Training Session for Beef Producers. Location: Canad Inns, Portage La Prairie, 1-5pm.*

December 11th – Manitoba Conservation Training Session for Poultry Producers. Location: Freidensfeld Community Centre 1-5pm.*

***Contact 945-6061 to register.**



Figure 1. The Mobile Unit on a Manitoba Pig Farm.

Who are you going to call?

Manure management plan questions should be directed to Environmental Services. Matters regarding all other aspects of the *Livestock Manure and Mortalities Regulation* should be directed to the Regional contacts. For reporting a spill, emergency spreading, or any emergencies, call your Regional contact. After hours, use the emergency response number.

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