

Summary of Proposed Ordinance Amendment for Chapter 49: Agricultural Performance Standards and Manure Management

The manure management portion of Chapter 14 is being updated to address a number of items. The primary reasons the ordinance is being updated include (1) general clean-up and corrections; (2) to be consistent with updated state administrative codes and federal technical standards; and (3) to incorporate recommendations from the Healthy Farms Healthy Lakes Taskforce. The following summarizes the major changes addressed by this ordinance amendment:

Clean-up:

- Remove Subchapter I for Manure Storage and Utilization from Chapter 14: Manure Management, Erosion Control and Stormwater Management and create a new ordinance Chapter 49: Agricultural Performance Standards and Manure Management to be placed under Title 9 Health and Sanitation.

Consistent with state regulations and federal technical standards:

- Update definitions to be consistent with chs. NR 151 and ATCP 50, Wis. Adm. Code.
- Update references to applicable technical standards.

Recommendations for HFHL Taskforce:

- Incorporate the state agricultural performance standards and prohibitions from ch. NR 151, Wisconsin Administrative Code, as well as the implementation and compliance procedures.
- Expand manure storage permitting requirements to include storage systems used to collect runoff for barnyards and process wastewater (i.e. feed leachate, milkhouse waste).
- Create a certificate of use requirement for all manure storages in the county that ensures nutrient management plans are being implemented, storage facilities are being operated and maintained, and applicable safety devices are installed. This would apply to all storages that have not previously received a permit from Dane County Land & Water Resources Department under Chapter 49, Dane County Code of Ordinance.
- Expand winter spreading permit requirement to all manure (*solid and liquid*) applied during frozen, snow-covered conditions.
- Update winter spreading permit requirements to meet current requirements in NRCS Technical Standard 590 for Nutrient Management.

Additional Information:

The proposed ordinance language is available online at <https://dane.legistar.com>. Search for the ordinance amendment number (2018 OA-028).

Comments:

If you would like to submit comments,

- Contact your county board supervisor.
- Contact the chair or members of the Land Conservation Committee; Environmental, Agricultural and Natural Resource (EANR) Committee; or Lakes & Watersheds Commission.
- Attend the joint EANR/Lakes & Watersheds Commission meeting.
 - Thursday, December 13th
 - 5:30 pm, Room AB
 - Lyman A Anderson Agriculture & Conservation Center, 5201 Fen Oak Drive, Madison 53718