

**NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE**  
**SOUTH CAROLINA**  
**OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS**  
**ANIMAL MORTALITY FACILITY**

**Daily Pick-Up**

**CODE 316**

Land Owner/Operator\_\_\_\_\_

County\_\_\_\_\_ SWCD\_\_\_\_\_ Farm/Tract No. \_\_\_\_\_

Prepared By\_\_\_\_\_ Date\_\_\_\_\_

**OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE ITEMS**

A properly operated and maintained animal mortality facility is an asset to your farm. This facility was designed and installed for temporary storage of animal mortality. The estimated life span of this installation is at least 10 years. The life of this installation can be assured and usually increased by developing and carrying out a systematic operation and maintenance program.

This practice will require you to perform periodic operation and maintenance to maintain satisfactory performance. Your operation and maintenance program requirements include:

**DAILY PICK-UP OPERATION**

Dead animals will be picked up daily and delivered to a rendering plant for processing.

Dead animals will be removed from the animal houses daily. Carcasses will be promptly placed in a dumpster box. The box will have a tight fitting cover which will be kept on the box at all times to prevent odor release and access by insects. A contract rendering service will pick up the mortality every other day except during excessively hot weather or during abnormally high mortality periods when mortality will be picked up daily. A copy of the contract between the rendering service and the producer is attached.

The major concern in using the daily pick-up disposal system is biosecurity. The, truck which collects the dead animals on each farm, can potentially transport disease from one farm to the next. Although specific measures are taken to prevent disease transmission, it is still a concern to overcome when using this system.

Additional Operation and Maintenance Requirements Specific to this Plan:\_\_\_\_\_

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