

**OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE PLAN
FOR
FEED MANAGEMENT**

Landowner/user:

Date:

Address:

A properly developed and maintained **Feed Management Plan** is an asset to your farm operation and to the environment. Implementation of a Feed Management plan may provide many benefits including: improving net farm income by feeding nutrients more efficiently as well as reducing the quantity of nutrients, especially nitrogen and phosphorus, excreted in manure by minimizing the over-feeding of these and other nutrients.

This practice will require you to perform periodic operation and maintenance to maintain satisfactory performance. Operation and maintenance is comprised of the following activities:

Operation and Maintenance

- Periodic plan review to determine if adjustments or modifications are needed.
- Routine feed analysis to document the rates at which nitrogen and phosphorus were actually fed. When actual rates fed differ from or exceed the planned rates, records will indicate the reasons for the differences.
- Maintaining records to document plan implementation. As applicable, records include:
 - Records of feed analysis and ration formulation, including the record of ration formulation used prior to implementing the feeding strategy,
 - Records of the initial estimate of the impact the feeding strategy was expected to have on reducing manure nutrient content,
 - Records of any manure analysis that was done after the feeding strategy was implemented to determine manure nutrient content,
 - Dates of review and person performing the review, and any recommendations that resulted from the review,
 - Records of plan implementation shall be maintained for five years, or for a period longer than five years if required by other Federal, state, or local ordinances, program, or contract requirements.

Specific Additional Requirements for Your Practice: