Nutrient Management Information At Farm Show

UNIVERSITY PARK (Centre Co.) — Many of Pennsylvania's livestock producers will be affected by the state's Nutrient Management Act, which requires operations that generate or use large amounts of animal manure to implement nutrient management plans.

To learn more about the nutrient management legislation, visit the Penn State College of Agricultural Sciences exhibit at the 78th Pennsylvania State Farm Show at the Farm Show Complex in Harrisburg, Jan. 8-13.

The display will contain information on farm nutrient cycles, manure management, manure spreader calibration, crop diversity and rotation, keeping farm nutrient management records and complying with regulations. Penn State researchers and extension agents will be on hand to discuss nutrient management and the new legislation.

The Nutrient Management Act was passed in July, and State Conservation Commission regulations based on the act will be issued within the next two years. Under

exceed an annual average of two animal-equivalent units per acre are considered concentrated animal operations and must develop nutrient management plans.

"Farmers should determine now whether their facilities will need to comply with the act's requirements," said Dr. Douglas Beegle, associate professor of agronomy. "Once the regulations are effective, existing farm operations will have one year to develop nutrient management plans. New or expanded operations must develop a plan within three months after the facility starts operating."

A nutrient management specialist must certify that the plan was prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Nucient Management Act. Plans are subject to approval by county legislation, the local conservation district, or the State Conservation Commission. Unless they can be shown to require substantial capital improvements, approved plans must be fully implemented within three years.

The 1994 Farm Show will open the act, animal operations that to the public on Saturday, Jan. 8,

and will close on Thursday, Jan. Saturday, Monday, Tuesday and Sunday; and 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. 13. Hours are 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. Wednesday; 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday.

National Conference Examines Future Of CRP

ANKENY, Iowa - Whether Congress and the Clinton Administration are willing to extend the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) and in what form will be discussed at a national conference. Feb. 10-11, in Arlington, Va.

"When Conservation Reserve Program Contracts Expire - The Policy Options" is being sponsored by the Soil and Water Conservation Society (SWCS) in cooperation with several federal government agencies and about 40 environmental and agricultural organizations. The conference will be held at the Renaissance Hotel in Arlington.

Among the invited speakers for the conference are Secretary of Agriculture Mike Espy; Senator Patrick Leahy, chairman of the Senate Agriculture Committee; Congressman Glenn English,

chairman of the House Agriculture Committee's Subcommittee on Conservation, Credit and Rural Development; and Paul Johnson, the chief-designate of the Agriculture Department's Soil Conservation Service.

Results from a new national Survey of CRP contract holders will also be presented at the conference. The survey is designed to determine how CRP participants plan to use their acres following contract expiration and what incentives they might accept for keeping some or all of their acres out of crop production for longer periods of time.

Under the CRP, the federal government pays farmers an annual rental fee for retiring highly erodible and other environmentally fragile land from crop production for a period of 10 or more years. In

return, farmers must establish and maintain a permanent soilconserving cover of grass or trees on the retired acres for the life of the contract.

About 36.5 million acres are enrolled in the CRP. The earliest CRP contracts will start to expire in 1995.

No decisions have been made yet on whether farmers participating in the CRP will be offered contract extensions or other incentives to keep their land out of crop production and thus protect the environmental benefits gained under the program.

Information about the conference can be obtained by writing or calling SWCS, 7515 Northeast Ankeny Road, Ankeny, Iowa 50021-9764, (515) 289-2331 or 1-800-THE SOIL.

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