

Minnesota Pollution Control Agency
Feedlot Program

2014 Annual County Feedlot Officer Report
Supplemental Information Page
January 1, 2014 – December 31, 2014

County Name: Cottonwood County

Work Plan
Inspection Goals

Please describe the progress that you made during the calendar year in meeting your 2014-2015 work plan inspection goals. Your report must provide quantitative results for each inspection, production site and land application goal, listed in your work plan.

Inspection Goal Strategies:

Feedlot type	2014 Inspection Goal	2014 Inspections
Inspect all sites where an interim or CSF permit was issued	1	0 – we issued an interim and a CSF in 2014, would inspect in 2015
Inspect sites required to be registered that have never been inspected	17	21
Inspect feedlots located in the West Fork Des Moines Watershed as part of TMDL Implementation Project	5	10 (of those 10, 8 were required to be inspected that have never been inspected)

Land application Inspections:

Feedlot type	2014 Inspection Goal	2014 Inspections
The County will conduct Level II inspections at sites for MMR containing 100-299 AU	5	0 – Five level I, three were noncompliant for records, one is registered for >100 AU and has not had animals onsite for several years to produce manure, one had records but did not have a current manure analysis (could not complete Level II due to no records) 1 – compliant Level II for >300 AU
The County will conduct Level III reviews at land application sites when complaints are lodged	1	0

We exceeded our 2014 inspection goals to inspect sites that according to our records and the best of staff knowledge had not received a true compliance inspection. We exceeded our goal to inspect feedlots in the West Fork Des Moines Watershed as part of a TMDL project, of those ten inspection, eight qualified for having never been inspected/required to be registered. We issued one interim permit and a CSF in 2014. A site evaluation was completed at the CSF to ensure that there were no pollution concerns before issuance, but a compliance inspection was not completed.

The County was not able to meet its land application goals. We completed five Level I inspections and three of those could not produce any manure records, therefore a Level II could not have been completed. A Level II was completed at a site with >300 AU, that was compliant for all records. Two MMR were submitted by producers who were non-compliant in 2013 for recordkeeping.

Owner Assistance Goals

Please report on the following owner assistance activities that you conducted in the past year. Include a date and description for each of the activities listed.

- Information meetings provided to feedlot owners: None.
- Newsletters/direct mailings sent to feedlot owners: 4 quarterly newsletters to all feedlot owners in Cottonwood County. See attached editions for more information that was covered.
- Feedlot articles placed in local newspapers: None.
- Other information and outreach activities not identified above:
 - Several radio spots on the USDA update on local KDOM radio station regarding multiple feedlot rules, such as registration, manure application setbacks, stockpiling, winter application.
 - Farm & Home Show 3/8/14 – Provided an information booth outlining basics of the program and contact information
 - Cottonwood County Fair 8/13/14 – 8/16/14 – Provided an information booth outlining basics of the program and contact information

Staffing Level and Training

Please list the training events that you participated in during the calendar year. Include a date and the number of hours of participation for each of the events listed.

Becky Alexander attended:

2/26/2014	CFO Web-EX	1.5	hours
3/11/2014	NEW CFO Training Day 1	7	hours
3/12/2014	NEW CFO Training Day 2	4	hours
4/15/2014	NEW CFO Training Land App Day	7	hours
4/22/2014	NEW CFO Training Software Day	7	hours
4/30/2014	CFO Web-EX	1.5	hours
5/14/2014	Regional CFO Training - Redwood Falls Milk House Waste Conference Call	5	hours
6/10/2014	(Alternative)	2	hours
10/13/2014	MACFO Conference	<u>13.25</u>	hours
		48.25	hours

Jared Morrill attended:

6/25/2014	June CFO WebEx	1.5	hours
8/27/2014	August CFO WebEx	2	hours
9/23/2014	September CFO WebEx	1	hours
10/13/2014	MACFO Conference	13.25	hours
12/29/2014	December CFO WebEx	<u>1.5</u>	Hours
		19.25	hours

Total between Becky and Jared: 67.5 hours

Feedlot Enforcement Actions

Please describe any enforcement actions other than letters of warning, notices of violation, and court actions that you conducted during the calendar year.

Other Program
Activities

Interim permit was issued to Bruce Pederson for feedlot fixes.

Please list any meetings, including meeting dates, which you attended during the calendar year with local government services and producer groups (including SWCD and NRCS Offices, Minnesota Extension Service, Dairy Inspectors, Minnesota Pork Producers, Minnesota Dairy Association, Minnesota Cattleman's Association).

None.

Please use this space to describe any feedlot ordinance revision and/or adoption proceedings for this reporting period.

None at this time.

Please use this space to list any county feedlot program activities conducted during this reporting period not identified in this form.