

Introduction

Behind most manure spills and discharges is a chain of events that leads up to an unsafe act, improper judgment, unsafe conditions, or a combination of factors. Preventing and properly responding to discharges on a farm is everyone's concern. Communication between the farm owner, supervisors, and employees generates ideas and awareness that leads to accident prevention and quick response if a spill does occur. Education programs, response plans, and regular inspections of your manure management and application system are essential links in maintaining a safe, accident-free operation. Since accidents happen, be prepared.

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