

§500-100 Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations (CAFO) NEW

This §100 is intended to provide standards for industrial-like agricultural operations with animal densities which are likely to create effects on the environment and community which exceed those effects normally associated with typical farming. It is not intended to supersede the Pennsylvania Nutrient Management Act in terms of regulation of the storage, handling or land application of animal manure or nutrients or the construction, location or operation

of facilities used for the storage of animal manure or nutrients or practices otherwise regulated by the Act. The definitions and calculations in this section are intended to be consistent with the Nutrient Management Act and all information and studies required by this section shall, at a minimum, include the information required by the Act.

- A. <u>Compliance</u>. Concentrated animal feeding operations shall, in addition to all other applicable requirements, comply with this §100.
- B. <u>Definition</u>. Any livestock operation which is defined as a concentrated animal feeding operation by Commonwealth of Pennsylvania regulations shall be considered a concentrated animal feeding operation for regulation by this chapter.
- C. <u>Standards</u>. The following standards shall be applied to all CAFOs and no approval shall be granted until all required information and plans have been submitted by the applicant and have been approved by the Borough. Failure of the applicant to implement any of the required plans shall constitute a zoning violation subject to the penalties and remedies contained in this chapter.
 - (1) <u>Setbacks</u>. The minimum parcel size shall be 50 acres. CAFO buildings and corrals used for housing or confinement of animals shall not be less than 250 feet from any property line and not less than 500 feet from any existing principal building not located on the land with the CAFO.
 - (2) <u>Nutrient Management</u>. A nutrient management plan shall be prepared in accord with the requirements of Title 25, Chapter 83, Subchapter D, Pennsylvania Code.
 - (3) <u>Stormwater Management</u>. A stormwater management plan shall be prepared meeting the requirements of Chapter 390 (Subdivision and Land Development).
 - (4) <u>E & S Plan</u>. A soil erosion and sedimentation control plan shall be prepared meeting the requirements of the County Conservation District.
 - (5) <u>Buffer</u>. A buffer plan shall be prepared in accord with §60 to minimize CAFO visibility from adjoining properties and minimize sound and odor emanating from the property
 - (6) <u>Solid and Liquid Wastes</u>. Solid and liquid wastes shall be disposed of in a manner to avoid creating insect or rodent problems, and an insect/rodent abatement plan which shall be prepared.
 - (7) Operation and Management. The applicant shall demonstrate that they will meet the operational and management standards as may be set forth in treatises recognized by agricultural authorities or as the same may be produced by the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture, Department of Environmental Protection, Pennsylvania State University, College of Agricultural Sciences, or similar entity.
 - (8) Odor. The applicant shall prepare an odor abatement plan and document the ability to comply with the plan. It is recognized that certain agricultural activities do produce odors, but the applicant shall show that odors can be reduced to a minimum or abated. The plan shall include such steps as may be necessary to abate odors or to allow odors at times to minimize interference with the public health, safety and welfare.
 - (9) Pesticides. The applicant shall document that the use of pesticides will meet state and federal requirements.
 - (10) Floodplain. No CAFO buildings shall be erected in the FEMA-defined one hundred-year floodplain.