# CD "Cheat Sheet" of Yearly Delegation Accomplishments

September 2021 CD Virtual Roundtable

## Educational/Training and Outreach Activities

- Annual coordination/planning with cooperating agencies/partners
- Sponsor or participate in at least two informational, educational, or training programs/events
- Minimum of three informational/education outreach efforts to farm operators or NM specialists
  - NMP and MMP trainings can be combined
- Identification of CAOs and determining animal density status
- Provide information on the Odor Management Program to all identified CAOs and CAFOs

## NMP Review and Approval

- Review NMPs
  - New Plan, Amendments, Updates, and Yearly Plan Submissions
    - Perform site visit
    - Review Nutrient Balance Sheets that are submitted as part of the NMP
    - Verify operation has currently Agricultural Erosion and Sediment Control Plan
    - Notify other relevant agencies (NRCS for 590 and DEP for CAFO) and coordinate review
    - For CAFO operations, submit required PA Bulletin notices to DEP and coordinate review
- Recommend approval or disapproval actions to CD Board of Directors

## Important Dates and Timelines

#### NMP Review:

- Admin complete or incomplete within 10 business days
- Recommend first technical comments sent to plan writer within 30 days
- For CAFOs, official comments cannot be sent until 30-day comment period has expired
- Plan writer is allowed 30 days to respond to comments
- Plan must be in final form at least 7 days prior to CD board meeting
- Plan approval or disapproval within 90 days
- If extension is needed, must be submitted prior to last potential board meeting for action, preferably 7
  days prior to board meeting
- Plan approval or disapproval within 180 days

## Important Dates and Timelines

- Act 38 participants whose NMPs expire in current year:
  - No later than April 1: First Notification Letter to be sent to current Act 38 participants with an expiring NMP
  - No later than July 1: Second Notification Letter to be sent to current Act 38 participants with an expiring NMP
  - No later than September 1: Third Notification Letter to be sent to current Act 38 participants with an expiring NMP

### Technical and Financial Assistance

- Provide technical assistance consistent with the Pennsylvania Field Office Technical Guide published by NRCS
  - Some technical assistance may require certain NRCS job approval authorities
- Assist in NMP implementation, as resources allow
  - This may include inventory and evaluations, design work, cost estimates, construction monitoring, and certification of proposed projects
- Provide information on financial assistance programs supporting Act 38 NMP and MMP development and implementation, if available

#### **On-Site Status Reviews**

- Perform on-site status reviews
  - CAOs and CAFOs must have a status review performed annually between Oct. 1 and Sept.
     30
  - VAOs must have a status review performed once in a three year period
- Encourage joint inspections for CAFOs with DEP
- Assist CAOs and CAFOs determined to be out of compliance to comply with NM regulations
- Assess implementation of BMPs contained in implementation schedule as well as existing BMPs not included in implementation schedule of NMP

## Complaint Investigations

- Within 7 business days, investigate complaint by performing a site visit or refer complaint to appropriate agency if outside delegation
- Work with operators to gain voluntary compliance in a timely manner
- For those that do not comply voluntarily or have continued violations, report to Commission for further action
- Refer all Odor Management Complaints to SCC, except those involving the spreading of manure

#### Extension and Waiver

- Plan BMP implementation extensions
  - Acknowledge receipt of proposed BMP implementation extension to operator within 5 business days
  - Evaluate extension and correspond with operator indicating findings of evaluation
- Manure storage set-back waiver requests
  - Acknowledge receipt of proposed waiver request to operator within 5 business days
  - File waiver and perform on-site evaluation within 20 business days of receipt
  - CD Board approval or disapproval of waiver request within 90 days of receipt
  - Inform operator of decision within 95 days of receipt

## Act 49 Manure Hauler and Broker Program

- Proctor Level 2 Commercial Manure Hauler test
- When performing status reviews or site visits due to complaints, determine if Commercial Haulers or Brokers are being used and determine if haulers/brokers are properly certified under Act 49
- Review, at minimum, 10% of Nutrient Balance Sheets that are submitted by Commercial Manure Brokers
  - Work with author of NBS to correct any identified deficiencies

## Manure Management Program

- Provide assistance to DEP with the implementation of the Manure Management Program
- Assistance efforts include:
  - Plan development, technical assistance, verification of MMPs, complaint response and referral
  - Outreach minimum 3 outreach activities per calendar year
  - Education minimum 2 education or training activities per calendar year
  - Training minimum 1 technical training per calendar year where operators are guided through the development of an MMP
  - Outreach and Education can be a combination of NMP and MMP
  - Investigate complaints that fall under Chapter 91 authority

## **Quarterly Reporting**

- Certification for Payments are to be emailed to the designated resource account
- Quarterly reporting activities are to be recorded through the PracticeKeeper program:
  - NM plan approvals, MMP verifications, and NBS received
  - NM annual on-site status reviews
  - MMP outreach activities
  - MMP training activities
  - Complaints
  - BMP implementation/technical assistance
- Quarterly reporting is to be completed by the 25<sup>th</sup> of each month following the end of the quarter

## Important Dates and Timelines

- Quarterly reporting:
  - January 25th for Quarter October through December
  - April 25th for Quarter January through March
  - July 25th for Quarter April through June
  - October 25th for Quarter July through September