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The 2019 Manure Management Plan Field Audit

The 2019 Manure Management Plan (MMP) field audit sampling began September 03 and was completed on October 30, 2019. The laboratory results were compiled and have been sent to each operation.

The wet weather experienced this fall and the subsequent late harvest resulted in a decrease in the total number of site visits this year. Seventeen operations were audited and 24 fields were sampled. Livestock operations selected for the field audit but not visited due to external factors may be included in the 2020 MMP field audit.

Conservation and Climate follows strict biosecurity protocols for soil-borne and animal diseases. Communication with each landowner/livestock operator is conducted each year in determining site visits.

Thank you for your cooperation during the sampling season. If you have any questions, please contact Diane Smith, Soils Specialist at (204) 391-0540.

New Department Name

On October 23, 2019, the Premier announced a new administration. The Honourable Sarah Guillemard, was sworn in as Minister for the new Department of Conservation and Climate.

The department name change and any other organizational changes have not impacted the Environmental Approvals Branch and our mailing address also remains the same:

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February 10th Filing Deadline

Some livestock operations have not submitted their 2020 manure management plan (MMP). Most of these operations did not spread last fall and but intend to spread this coming spring or summer.

If you are one of these operations, your 2020 MMP must be submitted by February 10, 2020. There is no change for emailed submission as our MMP mailbox remains as mmpregistration@gov.mb.ca.

Third Party Manure Management Planners

A person who prepares a manure management plan (MMP) on behalf of a livestock operator must have the qualifications prescribed by the Livestock Manure and Mortalities Management Regulation. This requires the individual to successfully complete a course acceptable to the Director. It also requires that the planner is a member/designate with the Manitoba Institute of Agrologists and/or Certified Crop Advisor including applicable education and experience requirements.

The person must also be listed in the Manure Management Planner Registry with Agrologists Manitoba. The listing in the MMP registry must be renewed annually.

Manure Management Planners Course

Assiniboine Community College offers a Director approved training course for Manure Management Planners. It consists of a home study manual, a two-day seminar, a manure management planning assignment and a 100-question, closed-book, multiple-choice exam. The course is generally offered on an annual basis, with the upcoming seminar being held on February 26 and 27, 2020. To enroll or for information regarding the course, contact Assiniboine Community College at 1.800.862.6307 ext.6716 (toll free) or email ag.enviro@assiniboine.net

Information can also be found on the Assiniboine Community College website at the following link. <https://assiniboine.net/programs/manure-management-planner>