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Manure Management Plan

Every operator of a farm, stable or similar operation as defined below must file the Townsend Board of Health a manure management plan. The plan must be prepared using the form provided by the Board of Health for this purpose.

The operator must adhere to the manure management plan on file with the Board of Health. If the operator wishes to modify his plan, he shall submit a new plan to the Board of approval within 30-days of adopting a new plan. Failure to adhere to the Manure Management Plan on file may result in action by the Board of Health including orders to cease operations or to remove the animals.

The Board of Health will use the information collected from the manure management plans to ensure that manure is being handled and disposed of in a manner consistent with the protection of public health of the people of Townsend. The Board of Health may require that an operator modify his plan if the Board determines that the plan does not adequately protect the public health. Such modifications may include changes to operating procedures, storage locations, limits to the number of animals kept or other measures as the Board may determine are necessary.

Operations Requiring a Plan

Any property upon which one or more animals of to be determined size, are kept must file a Manure Management Plan with the Board of Health.

Inspections

The Board of Health reserves the right to inspect the property during normal business hours to confirm compliance with the "Stable Permit" if and when one is issued.

<u>Fees</u>

The fee for processing and filing a Manure Management Plan shall be \$0 per year.

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