

State of Wisconsin - Department of Natural Resources
Substance Release Notification Report
Report created on 04/21/2008

SPILL ID# 20080304NE05-1

BRRTS# 04-05-551367

Incident Date & Time: 03/04/2008 0630	Reported Date & Time: 03/04/2008 0700	BRRTS No: 04-05-551367	Spill ID: 20080304NE05-1
DATCP Reported? No DATCP Transferred? No	NFA Letter Sent? No	ERP Transferred? No	Incident Closed? Yes : 03/31/2008

Location			
Region: NE	County: Brown	Municipality: HOLLAND, TOWNSHIP OF	
Facility/Property Name and Street Address: COUNTRY AIRE DAIRY FARM 1440 LAMERS CLANCY RD		Description: EARTHEN MANURE LAGOONS	
Facility Type: Farm/Farm Field (private and corporate, tree nursery)			
Lat/Long:	PLSS: NW ¼ of NE ¼ of Sec 20, T21N, R20E	WTM: X 670773 Y 425108	

Weather Conditions:

Responsible Parties			
Name/Address (1): COUNTRY AIRE DAIRY FARM 1440 LAMERS CLANCY RD GREENLEAF, WI - (920) 371-1206 x Secondary	Contact: MIKE GERRITS DAIRY FARM OWNER (920) 371-1206 x primary	Other Contact:	Spill Packet:

Cause
STORM WATER PIPE BETWEEN THE MANURE LAGOONS BROKE CAUSING THE MANURE TO ENTER THE PIPE AND DISCHARGE TO THE ROAD DITCH AND FLOWED FROM THE DITCHES TO THE EAST RIVER

Cause Type: Manure Release (pit, line break, transportation, field application)

Substances						
Name	Other / Comments	Amt Released	Amt Recovered	Type	Color	Odor
Manure	LIQUID MANURE	20000.0 Gal	10000.0 Gal	LIQUID		

Environmental Impacts / Damages			
Environmental Impacts: SURFACE WATER - Name : EAST RIVER	Resource Damages: No	Injuries: No	Evacuation: No

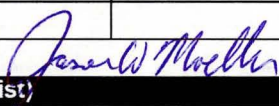
Cleanup Actions	
Method	Description
Dike Built	FILTER DAM BUILT IN DITCH
Containment	
Flow Stopped	
Repairs Made	STORM WATER PIPE REMOVED/SEALED

Cleanup Action Comments
PLUGGED THE STORM WATER PIPE, HIRED VAC TRUCKS TO REMOVE PRODUCT AND PUT BACK IN TO THE LAGOON - FOX VALLEY SEPTIC, BROWN ELECTRIC, PHIL'S PUMPING, RANDY RENO, ALL ON SITE WITH VAC TRUCKS.

Contractors Hired	
Name	Description

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OTHER	VAC TRUCKS, PUMPS AND EXCAVATOR			
Waste Destinations				
Location	Description			
BACK IN MANURE PIT				
Agencies Notified / On Scene				
Agency	Notified	On Scene		
DATCP	X			
DIV EMERG MGT	X			
DNR	X	X		
LEPC OF LOCAL EMERG MGT	X			
BROWN COUNTY LCD	X	X		
Additional Comments				
WARDEN ALLEN TOOK PHOTOS OF THE SITE. MOELLER COLLECTED 4 SURFACE WATER SAMPLES, RESULTS ATTACHED.				
Enforcement Actions				
POTENTIAL FOR ENFORCEMENT ACTION - SEE WATER PROGRAM FILE Enforcement action? Yes				
Case Activity Report Numbers: (1)				
Person Reporting				
Name	Representing / Address	Primary Phone	Secondary Phone	
MIKE GERRITS	COUNTRY AIR FARM	(920) 371-1206 x		
Contractors Hired				
Name / Address			Zone Contractor Hired by DNR?	
			No	
Contacts				
Role	Name / Address	Office Phone	Date	Time
Prepared By:	JASON MOELLER	(920) 662-5492 x	03/04/2008	
Person Notified:	DAVID ALLEN, CRAIG WEBSTER		03/04/2008	
Investigated By:	WEBSTER, ALLEN, MOELLER		03/04/2008	
Incident Commander:				
Spill Coordinator:	NE - MOELLER, JASON [P] 920-662-5492		03/31/2008	
Electronic Attachments (list)				
Name	Type			
Sample 3.pdf	Portable Document Format			
Sample 4.pdf	Portable Document Format			
Map.pdf	Portable Document Format			
Sample 1.pdf	Portable Document Format			
Sample 2.pdf	Portable Document Format			

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DNR ID 113133790

2601 Agriculture Dr

Madison

WI 537077996

Phone : 800-442-4618

Fax Phone : 608-224-6276

Sample:

Field #: 4

Sample #: IS015408

Collection Start: 03/04/2008 04:30 pm

Collection End:

Collected by: MOELLER

Waterbody/Outfall Id:

ID #:

ID Point #:

County: Brown

Account #: RR009

Sample Location: EAST RIVER HWY 96 3/4 MILE WEST OF OLD 57

Sample Description: SURFACE WATER WITH MANURE - COUNTRY AIRE DAIRY 3-4-08 RELEASE

Sample Source: SU

Sample Depth:

Date Reported: 03/27/2008

Sample Status: COMPLETE

Project No:

Analyses and Results:

Analysis Method		Analysis Date		Lab Comment		
BOD 5 DAY (SM 5210B)		03/06/2008				
Code	Description	Result	Units	LOD	Report Limit	LOQ
310	BOD 5 DAY	26.5	MG/L		2.0	

Analysis Method		Analysis Date		Lab Comment		
AMMONIA (AS N), DISS (EPA 350.1)		03/25/2008				
Code	Description	Result	Units	LOD	Report Limit	LOQ
608	NITROGEN NH3-N DISS	3.47	MG/L	0.015		0.048

Analysis Method		Analysis Date		Lab Comment		
NITRATE+NITRITE (AS N), DISS (EPA 353.2)		03/25/2008				
Code	Description	Result	Units	LOD	Report Limit	LOQ
631	NITROGEN NO3+NO2 DISS (AS N)	4.41	MG/L	0.019		0.061

Analysis Method		Analysis Date		Lab Comment		
TOTAL KJELDAHL NITROGEN (AS N) (EPA 303/19/2008)						
Code	Description	Result	Units	LOD	Report Limit	LOQ
625	NITROGEN KJELDAHL TOTAL	6.58	MG/L	0.14		0.4

Analysis Method		Analysis Date		Lab Comment		
PH, LAB, INFORMATIONAL ONLY (EPA 150.1)		03/06/2008				
Code	Description	Result	Units	LOD	Report Limit	LOQ
403	PH LAB	7.65	SU		1.	

Analysis Method		Analysis Date		Lab Comment		
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TOTAL PHOSPHORUS (AS P) (EPA 365.1)		03/11/2008				
Code	Description	Result	Units	LOD	Report Limit	LOQ
665	PHOSPHORUS TOTAL	0.846	MG/L	0.005		0.016

Analysis Method		Analysis Date		Lab Comment		
SUSPENDED SOLIDS (EPA METHOD 160.2)		03/06/2008				
Code	Description	Result	Units	LOD	Report Limit	LOQ
530	RESIDUE TOTAL NFLT (TOTAL SUSPENDED SOLIDS)	15.	MG/L	2		7

Analysis Method		Analysis Date		Lab Comment		
TEMPERATURE ON RECEIPT-ICED		03/06/2008				
Code	Description	Result	Units	LOD	Report Limit	LOQ
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2601 Agriculture Dr
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Phone : 800-442-4618 Fax Phone : 608-224-6276

DNR ID 113133790

Sample:

Field #: 3 Sample #: IS015407
Collection Start: 03/04/2008 04:15 pm Collection End:
Collected by: MOELLER Waterbody/Outfall Id:
ID #: ID Point #:
County: Brown Account #: RR009
Sample Location: MILL RD EAST RIVER 1 MILE WEST OF OLD 57
Sample Description: SURFACE WATER - NATURAL - COUNTRY AIRE DAIRY 3-4-08 RELEASE
Sample Source: SU Sample Depth:
Date Reported: 03/27/2008 Sample Status: COMPLETE
Project No:

Analyses and Results:

Analysis Method		Analysis Date		Lab Comment			
BOD 5 DAY (SM 5210B)		03/06/2008					
Code	Description	Result	Units	LOD	Report Limit	LOQ	
310	BOD 5 DAY	6.8	MG/L		2.0		

Analysis Method		Analysis Date		Lab Comment			
AMMONIA (AS N), DISS (EPA 350.1)		03/25/2008					
Code	Description	Result	Units	LOD	Report Limit	LOQ	
608	NITROGEN NH3-N DISS	0.604	MG/L	0.015		0.048	

Analysis Method		Analysis Date		Lab Comment			
NITRATE+NITRITE (AS N), DISS (EPA 353.2)		03/25/2008					
Code	Description	Result	Units	LOD	Report Limit	LOQ	
631	NITROGEN NO3+NO2 DISS (AS N)	4.66	MG/L	0.019		0.061	

Analysis Method		Analysis Date		Lab Comment			
TOTAL KJELDAHL NITROGEN (AS N) (EPA 303/19/2008)							
Code	Description	Result	Units	LOD	Report Limit	LOQ	
625	NITROGEN KJELDAHL TOTAL	2.15	MG/L	0.14		0.4	

Analysis Method		Analysis Date		Lab Comment			
PH, LAB, INFORMATIONAL ONLY (EPA 150.103/06/2008)							
Code	Description	Result	Units	LOD	Report Limit	LOQ	
403	PH LAB	7.68	SU		1.		

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TOTAL PHOSPHORUS (AS P) (EPA 365.1)		03/11/2008				
Code	Description	Result	Units	LOD	Report Limit	LOQ
665	PHOSPHORUS TOTAL	0.354	MG/L	0.005		0.016

Analysis Method		Analysis Date		Lab Comment		
SUSPENDED SOLIDS (EPA METHOD 160.2)		03/06/2008				
Code	Description	Result	Units	LOD	Report Limit	LOQ
530	RESIDUE TOTAL NFLT (TOTAL SUSPENDED SOLIDS)	5.	MG/L	2		7

Analysis Method		Analysis Date		Lab Comment		
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Code	Description	Result	Units	LOD	Report Limit	LOQ
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Laboratory: Wisconsin State Laboratory of Hygiene
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DNR ID 113133790

Sample:

Field #: 1 Sample #: IS015405
Collection Start: 03/04/2008 03:45 pm Collection End:
Collected by: MOELLER Waterbody/Outfall Id:
ID #: ID Point #:
County: Brown Account #: RR009
Sample Location: OLD 57 TRIB 1/4 MILE SOUTH OF MILL ROAD
Sample Description: SURFACE WATER - NATURAL
Sample Source: SU Sample Depth:
Date Reported: 03/27/2008 Sample Status: COMPLETE
Project No:

Analyses and Results:

Analysis Method		Analysis Date		Lab Comment			
BOD 5 DAY (SM 5210B)		03/06/2008					
Code	Description	Result	Units	LOD	Report Limit	LOQ	
310	BOD 5 DAY	15.7	MG/L		2.0		

Analysis Method		Analysis Date		Lab Comment			
AMMONIA (AS N), DISS (EPA 350.1)		03/25/2008					
Code	Description	Result	Units	LOD	Report Limit	LOQ	
608	NITROGEN NH3-N DISS	2.57	MG/L	0.015		0.048	

Analysis Method		Analysis Date		Lab Comment			
NITRATE+NITRITE (AS N), DISS (EPA 353.2)		03/25/2008					
Code	Description	Result	Units	LOD	Report Limit	LOQ	
631	NITROGEN NO3+NO2 DISS (AS N)	3.98	MG/L	0.019		0.061	

Analysis Method		Analysis Date		Lab Comment			
TOTAL KJELDAHL NITROGEN (AS N) (EPA 303/19/2008)							
Code	Description	Result	Units	LOD	Report Limit	LOQ	
625	NITROGEN KJELDAHL TOTAL	5.30	MG/L	0.14		0.4	

Analysis Method		Analysis Date		Lab Comment			
PH, LAB, INFORMATIONAL ONLY (EPA 150.103/06/2008)							
Code	Description	Result	Units	LOD	Report Limit	LOQ	
403	PH LAB	7.47	SU		1.		

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665	PHOSPHORUS TOTAL	0.584	MG/L	0.005		0.016

<i>Analysis Method</i>		<i>Analysis Date</i>		<i>Lab Comment</i>		
SUSPENDED SOLIDS (EPA METHOD 160.2)		03/06/2008				
<i>Code</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Result</i>	<i>Units</i>	<i>LOD</i>	<i>Report Limit</i>	<i>LOQ</i>
530	RESIDUE TOTAL NFLT (TOTAL SUSPENDED SOLIDS)	5.	MG/L	2		7

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TEMPERATURE ON RECEIPT-ICED		03/06/2008				
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Sample:

Field #: 2

Sample #: IS015406

Collection Start: 03/04/2008 04:00 pm

Collection End:

Collected by: MOELLER

Waterbody/Outfall Id:

ID #:

ID Point #:

County: Brown

Account #: RR009

Sample Location: MILL RD CREEK 1/2 MILE WEST OF OLD 57

Sample Description: SURFACE WATER WITH MANURE - COUNTRY AIRE DAIRY 3-4-08 RELEASE

Sample Source: SU

Sample Depth:

Date Reported: 03/27/2008

Sample Status: COMPLETE

Project No:

Analyses and Results:

Analysis Method		Analysis Date		Lab Comment		
BOD 5 DAY (SM 5210B)		03/06/2008				
Code	Description	Result	Units	LOD	Report Limit	LOQ
310	BOD 5 DAY	611.	MG/L		2.0	

Analysis Method		Analysis Date		Lab Comment		
AMMONIA (AS N), DISS (EPA 350.1)		03/25/2008				
Code	Description	Result	Units	LOD	Report Limit	LOQ
608	NITROGEN NH3-N DISS	76.4	MG/L	0.015		0.048

Analysis Method		Analysis Date		Lab Comment		
NITRATE+NITRITE (AS N), DISS (EPA 353.2)		03/25/2008				
Code	Description	Result	Units	LOD	Report Limit	LOQ
631	NITROGEN NO3+NO2 DISS (AS N)	3.27	MG/L	0.019		0.061

Analysis Method		Analysis Date		Lab Comment		
TOTAL KJELDAHL NITROGEN (AS N) (EPA 303/19/2008)						
Code	Description	Result	Units	LOD	Report Limit	LOQ
625	NITROGEN KJELDAHL TOTAL	122.	MG/L	0.14		0.4

Analysis Method		Analysis Date		Lab Comment		
PH, LAB, INFORMATIONAL ONLY (EPA 150.103/06/2008)						
Code	Description	Result	Units	LOD	Report Limit	LOQ
403	PH LAB	7.72	SU		1.	

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TOTAL PHOSPHORUS (AS P) (EPA 365.1) 03/11/2008						
Code	Description	Result	Units	LOD	Report Limit	LOQ
665	PHOSPHORUS TOTAL	8.42	MG/L	0.005		0.016

Analysis Method		Analysis Date		Lab Comment		
SUSPENDED SOLIDS (EPA METHOD 160.2)		03/06/2008				
Code	Description	Result	Units	LOD	Report Limit	LOQ
530	RESIDUE TOTAL NFLT (TOTAL SUSPENDED SOLIDS)	232.	MG/L	2		7

Analysis Method		Analysis Date		Lab Comment		
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Response, weather mitigate manure spill's impact

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More than 20,000 gallons pour from Brown Co. farm

By **Paul Srubas and Joanne Zipperer**

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HOLLAND — Quick work by Mike Gerrits prevented a manure spill at his family's 1,700-cow dairy farm from becoming a major environmental disaster, a DNR watershed expert said Wednesday.

More than 20,000 gallons of liquid manure gushed from the manure lagoons at Country Aire Farms and rushed toward roadside ditches taking it to a tributary of the East River, said Craig Webster of the state Department of Natural Resources.

At least part of the spill made it to the East River and traveled north as far as Wisconsin 96, Webster said. The flow of melting snow and other tributaries likely would dilute the manure enough to prevent it from having a harmful effect on fish or on nutrient levels of the water, he said.

Jason Moeller, the DNR's spills coordinator, called the discharge a major spill that probably eventually will reach the Fox River.

He said it was too soon to say what the environmental impact would be, but it probably would not affect wells in the area because the ground was frozen when the spill occurred. He agreed that the impact on fish and nutrient levels probably would be minimal.

With 1,700 cows and 3,500 acres, Country Aire Farms is one of Brown County's largest dairy operations, just one of the county's 13 "concentrated animal feeding operations," called that because they have at least 1,000 animal units or 700 cows.

One cow produces as much waste as 18 people, which means Gerrits' operation, owned by him, his brother and father, produces as much waste as all of the population of unincorporated towns of Brown County combined, according to the Brown County Land Conservation office.

The county has 103,000 head of cattle, including 40,000 dairy cows, and insufficient, suitable land for spreading the 170,000 tons or so of manure, according to Bill Hafs, director of the county's Land Conservation Department.

Hafs is now looking for the least environmentally sensitive space to dispose of Country Aire manure while he supervises rebuilding the farm's failed manure pit.

The manure pit at Country Aire Farms has a capacity of 20 million gallons of liquid manure but probably only was one-third full at the time of the spill, Gerrits said.

Gerrits drove past the site at about 11:30 p.m. Monday and saw no problems, but when he came to work at 6 a.m. Tuesday, he saw the liquid manure running to the ditch. Gerrits contacted authorities and then rushed to minimize damage.

"We immediately shut the pipe off — capped it," Gerrits said Wednesday.

Gerrits then used heavy equipment to break down a berm to allow a reverse flow of the liquid manure, preventing much of it from getting out.

By the time DNR officials arrived, Gerrits was already at work damming a nearby tributary to try to prevent the liquid manure that did get out from flowing into the East River.

"As far as a response, he's done everything textbook perfect," Webster said. "He averted disaster by his quick actions and kept millions of gallons from spilling."

Damming the tributary stopped the flow of liquid manure, which could then be sucked up into pump trucks, Webster said. Workers pumped through the night and into Wednesday to prevent the spill from breaching the makeshift dam, built of soil, sand and 1,200-pound straw bales.

Workers also dug three sump pits to serve as collecting points for flowing manure, and pump trucks were used to empty those pits.

Gerrits' workers, volunteers and four independent contractors, along with DNR and land conservation officials were at the site Tuesday and Wednesday. Gerrits said work would continue until "I'm satisfied, the DNR is satisfied and my neighbors are satisfied" that it has been cleaned up.

Because the ground is still frozen, the spill likely wouldn't cause any lingering soil quality issues, Webster said.

Everything from the makeshift dam south to the spill source likely would be cleaned up, Webster said. Tests of the water north of that dam showed normal levels of dissolved oxygen, which means fish won't be affected, he said.

"We'll continue to monitor it," he said.

The accident happened because of a break in a storm-water pipeline, Gerrits said. Water collected in a ditch near his barns drains through a pipe that runs through his manure lagoons. Engineers installed a berm that bisects the lagoons, and the water pipeline is buried in that berm, Gerrits said.

The pipe burst, apparently during the night, and flowing water caused a breakdown in the lagoon wall, allowing the spill, Gerrit said.

"We've never had an environmental problem before, and obviously I wish we didn't have

ONE NOW," he said.

Moeller, Jason W - DNR

From: Turner, Thomas M - DNR
Sent: Tuesday, March 04, 2008 4:34 PM
To: Steffes, Laurel J - DNR
Cc: Allen, David C - DNR; Urban, Bruce G - DNR; Webster, Craig M - DNR; Moeller, Jason W - DNR; Chronert, Roxanne N - DNR; Stoll, Richard C - DNR; Goetsch, Byron J - DNR; Hildreth, David A - DNR; Kazmierczak, Ronald - DNR; Nelson, Karen A - DNR; Rombach-Bartels, Jean - DNR; Smith, James D - DNR (JD); Turner, Thomas M - DNR; Verhoeven, Charles R - DNR; Wilson, Curt D - DNR
Subject: Media Contact Report - Country Aire Farms manure spill
Attachments: spillTemp.xml786052.pdf; 080304 - Turner - Country Aire Speaking points (3).doc

Please share as appropriate...

**Ed Byrne, Wrightstown Post-Gazette and
WLUK-TV/11 (FOX) in Green Bay
Warden Dave Allen handled
Inquiry on manure spill at Country Aire Farms (southern Brown County)
Reporters given information about cause of spill, response and impact to resources
(details in Allen's report below).
Story will run on TV/11's news tonight (Tuesday) and in the Wrightstown Post-Gazette**

This afternoon at approximately 1:55, I was notified by Roxanne Chronert of a manure spill at the Country Aire Farms at 1440 Lamers-Clancy Road south of Greenleaf in Brown County.

Chronert reported that the spill had been telephoned to the DNR Call Center at approx 6:30 a.m. and because calls to that number are forwarded to the State Patrol outside of posted hours the call went to the State Patrol. Warden Dave Allen was contacted at 9:28 a.m. The incident was investigated by Jason Moeller, Craig Webster and warden Allen.

The spill occurred when a dike around a manure lagoon was breached and the contents of the lagoon slurry escaped onto frozen and snow-covered ground, and into a dry creek bed leading to an unnamed tributary to the East River. The attached spill report includes these Cleanup Action Comments: "Plugged the dike, hired vac trucks to remove product back into the lagoon - Fox Valley Septic, Brown Electric, Phil's Pumping, Randy Reno. They are all on-site with vac trucks." The spill report follows:



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Speaking points were prepared for warden Allen (below):



080304 - Turner -
Country Aire...

Warden Allen's detailed media contact report follows:

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Two media contacts, Fox 11 TV and Ed Byrne Wrightstown Post-Gazette newspaper.

Ed Byrne, Wrightstown Post-Gazette:

Q - Asked where the owner was and what happened, how much and is it under control and did the manure make it to the East River.

A - I told him there was a lot of extra water flowing, mixing with the manure (unknown amounts at this time) and it probably made it to the East River. Country Aire Dairy (CAD) has a pretty good grip on the situation and continues to pump and clean up.

After talking about (2 mins) about this spill he asked if the United Meadows case has gone to the AG's office. Told him I didn't know!

WLUK-TV/11 (FOX):

Q - Cause of accident:

A - A storm water culvert pipe that runs in a earthen berm between manure storage pits was breeched and manure from the pits began flowing into the road ditch and down path of least resistance. Unknown reason for breach of pipe (freeze? thaw? freeze???) Unknown amount of manure that was spilled. Due to warm weather and rain there is a lot of additional water flowing with the manure and making it hard to contain everything. Country Aire Dairy (CAD) called in the spill right a way and has been doing everything in their power to control, stop the flow and recover.

Q - What's being done:

A - CAD cut the culvert and plugged it on both ends to stop the flow. Placed earthen and hay bale dykes to stop flow at choke pts. CAD has 5 tankers pumping and hauling from choke pts, back to the earthen pits. (Plenty of storage space left).

Q - Any impact to ground water:

A - I advised I'm not the water expert, but with the frozen ground it is unlikely, but there is no way to be sure.

Q - Compared to other manure spills:

A - I advised this was an accident and there was no way of knowing it was going to happen. Some other spills have had some negligence as to over-topping pits, or pumps/valves being left open. Each spill is different, this one looks to be an accident.

Q - Wildlife/fish impact:

A - Advised there could be something, but as of right now unsure. For the most part only rough fish in the East River. Lots of extra water flowing with manure.



DNR/NER Public Affairs Manager

Northeast Region

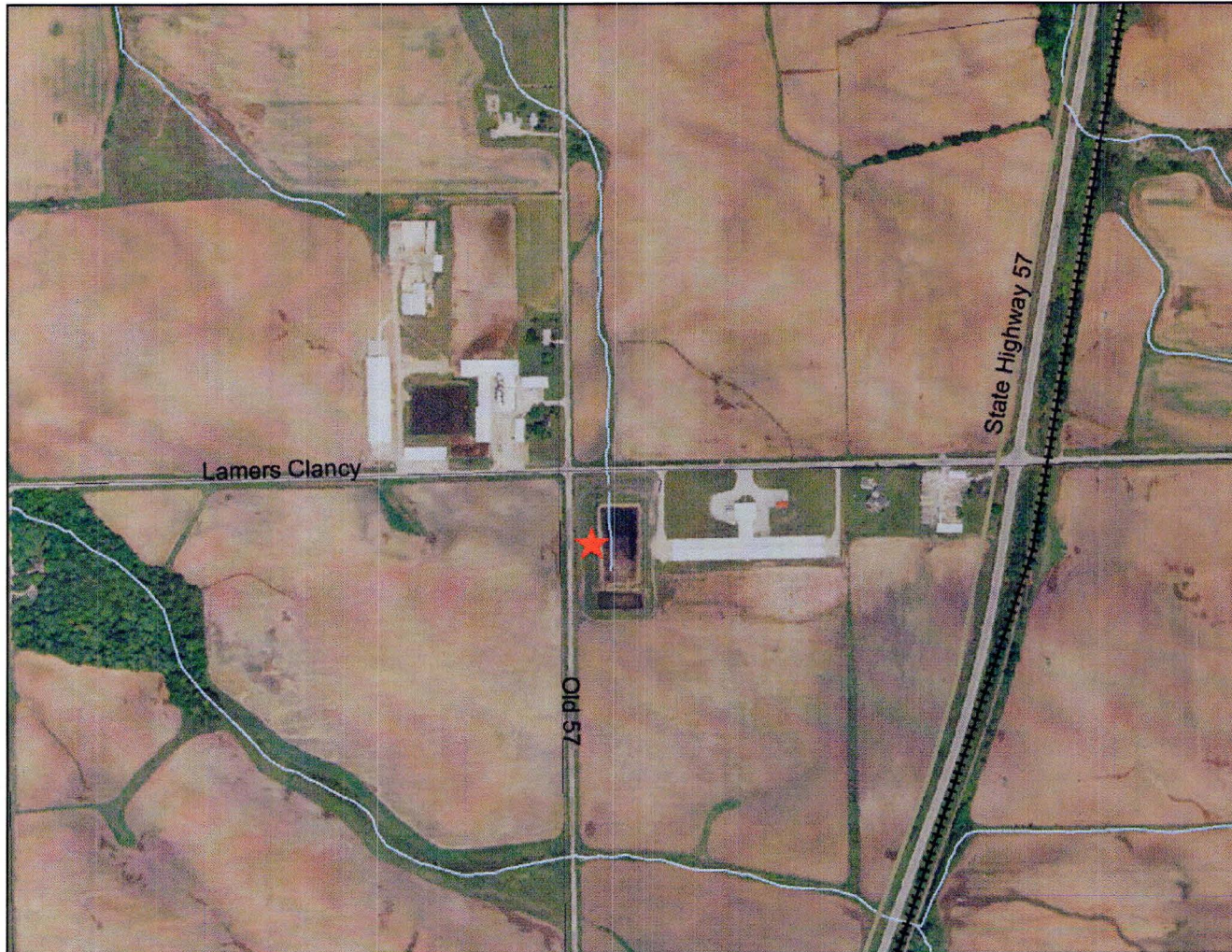
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Country Aire Dairy 03-04-08 Manure Spill



Legend

- Open Sites (ongoing cleanups)
- Open Sites (ongoing cleanups) - site boundaries shown
- Closed Sites (completed cleanups)
- Closed Sites (completed cleanups) - site boundaries shown
- County Boundary
- Railroads
- Major Highways
- Interstate
- US Highway
- State Highway
- Local Roads
- Civil Towns
- Civil Town
- 24K Open Water
- 24K Rivers and Shorelines
- Municipalities

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Map created on Apr 8, 2008

Note: Not all RR Sites have been geo-located yet.



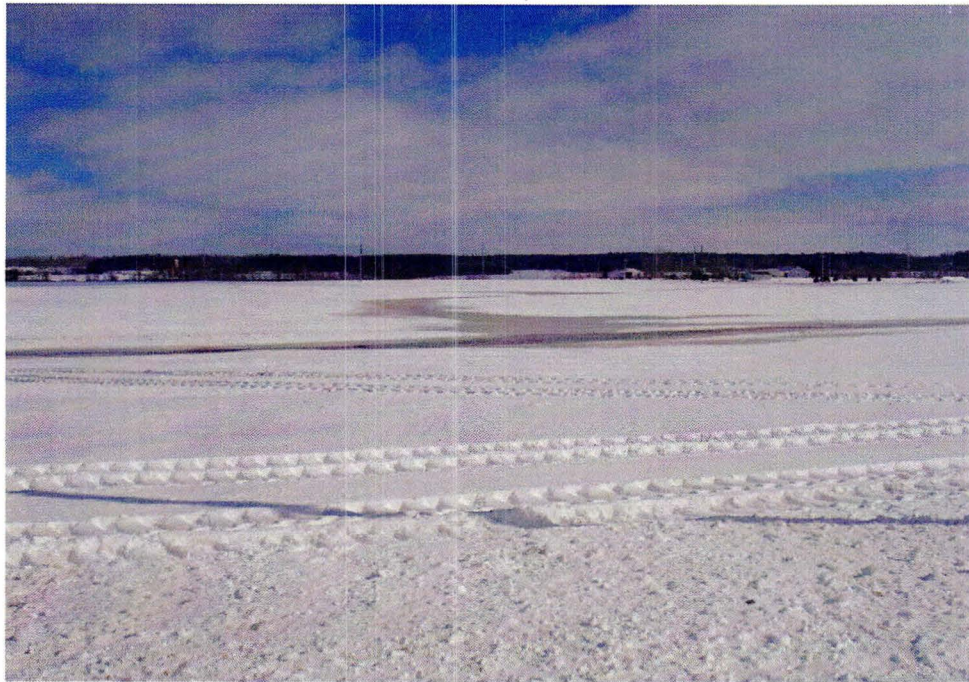
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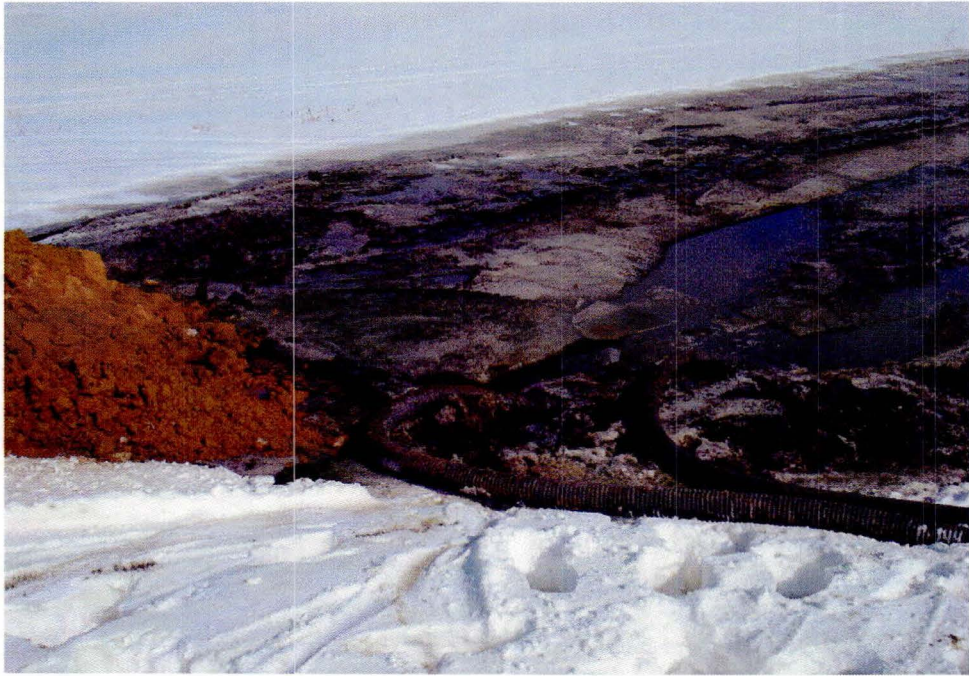
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Notes: Manure Spill began at the red star and flowed north along the blue line to the East River.

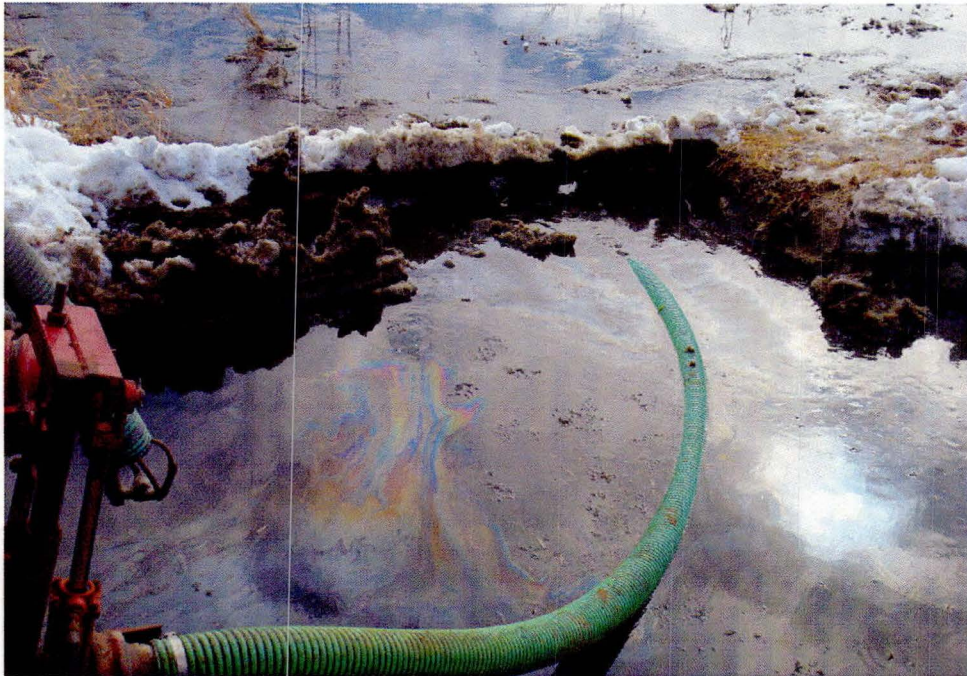
















Sample locations

