WPDES Permit Application Process
For Livestock/Poultry Operations

OPERATOR’S APPLICATION PROCESS
Be sure to also apply for other necessary permits and approvals with the DNR and your town/county. Application can be obtained at our website at: http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/agbusiness/

Submit preliminary application to Intake Specialist (must be submitted at least 12 months before you reach 1,000 animal units)
• Form 3400-25 (Contact Information and Site Information),
• Form 3400-25A (Current and Projected AU Calculation Worksheets), and
• Site Maps.

Regional DNR Staff schedules a site visit to go over final application materials.

Submit a complete final application (must be submitted at least 6 months before you reach 1,000 animal units)
• EA Questionnaire,
• Final Nutrient Management Plan,
• Plans and Specifications for any Proposed Facilities or Systems,
• Evaluations of Previously Constructed Facilities or Systems, and
• 180-days Manure Storage Calculations.

DNR INTERNAL REVIEW AND PROCESSING
Process takes at least 6 months from date complete final application is submitted.

Draft Environmental Analysis (EA) Prepared
* Not necessary for general permits

Final Nutrient Management Plan (NMP) Review

Plan & Spec Review
* Plan & Spec approval is finalized after Departmental approval of EA

Draft Permit Prepared
* Usually concurrent with EA drafting and Plan & Spec Review

Public Notice/ Public Hearing Process
(Public notice/hearings for EA and permit may coincide)

EA Public Notice
EA Public Hearing (if needed)
Respond to Public Comments

Plan & Spec Approval
* Finalized after Departmental approval of EA
NMP Approval

Permit Public Notice
Permit Pub. Hearing (if needed)
Respond to Public Comments

PERMIT ISSUANCE

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