

Odor Minimization

Biosolids application methods such as immediate incorporation and injection can effectively reduce odor emissions. Other best management practices such as temperatures, weather conditions, and communicating spreading times and locations with neighbors can significantly reduce odor complaints.

Notes

February continues to bring in full winter weather. We use this time to conduct safety training and safety meetings. In addition to confined space training, we also implemented a new Inclement weather/driving conditions guidelines to deal with situations such as fog advisories, wind advisories, freezing rain, heavy snow and more.



Communication with Government Officials

Stewart Spreading will continue their policy of contacting all officials who we feel we should have close working relationships with. Those notified include law enforcement, health and highway departments, county, township and city officials and IEPA officials. Authorities appreciate good communication so they are not surprised when the calls do come in. Proactive is critical for success. We also encourage common sense rulings for all practical purposes.

Confined Space Training



Training

We use the winter time to conduct Company trainings and meetings. We had 25 employees get certified in confined space training on February 27th, 2018. The training was conducted by Jason Hill and Greg Halmagyi.

Agronomy Corner

During February, Full focus is on spring preparations. No biosolids are being spread at this time.

We immediately begin lining up next year's land base. The majority of our farmers stay with the program.

A few new farmers do get signed up. We are hoping for a dry spring. Dry farming is the best farming.