

# Emergency Response Plan

## **Be prepared to provide the following information:**

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1. Your name and contact information
2. Farm address, location and other pertinent identification information
3. Nature of emergency (employee injury, fire, discharge of manure or hazardous materials).
4. Emergency equipment and personnel that are needed.
5. Potential for manure or hazardous materials to reach surface waters or major field drains.
6. Current status of containment efforts.
7. Location of hazardous/flammable materials, fire suppression equipment, emergency cut off switches or valves.

## **In Case of Injury, Fire, or Rescue Emergency, immediately implement the following**

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1. Assess the condition of the victim, extent of the emergency (fire, rescue) and call for help.
2. Stabilize the victim, use on-site rescue equipment, evacuate buildings, or begin fire suppression as necessary.
3. Brief emergency responders upon arrival on current status of situation.

## **In Case of a Spill, Leak, or Failure at the Storage Facility, During Transport, or Land Application, immediately implement the following:**

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1. Stop the source of the leak or spill.
  - ✓ For example: Turn off all pumps/valves and clamp hoses or park tractor on hoses to stop the flow of manure.
2. Assess the situation and make appropriate calls for people, equipment, and materials. See contacts below.
  - ✓ Notify DNR spill hotline (Spill reporting is mandatory by state law.)
  - ✓ Call sheriff's office if spilled on public roads or other right-of-ways for traffic control.
  - ✓ Clear the road and roadside of spilled material immediately.
3. Contain the spill and prevent spillage from entering surface waters, tile intakes, or waterways.
  - ✓ Use a skid loader or tractor with a blade to build dikes to contain or divert the spill or leak.
  - ✓ Insert sleeves around tile intakes (or plug/cap intakes) and block down slope culverts.
  - ✓ Use tillage implements to work up the ground ahead of the spill or use absorptive materials.
4. Begin cleanup.
  - ✓ Use pumps to recover liquids.
  - ✓ Land apply on approved cropland at appropriate rates.
5. Document your actions.