

## Issues of Local Concern

The previous discussion introduced several potentially negative impacts of manure on the environment. Within your local community, it is likely that only a few of these potential issues are of critical concern. These high-priority issues may result from unique local conditions, a history of environmental concerns, and/or public policy and regulatory actions.

It is important that the producer's future investments of time and resources focus primarily on high-priority local environmental issues. Use the following assessment tools to identify those high-priority issues based upon local community concerns (see Appendix A) and regulations (see Appendix B). These priorities should be considered in your livestock operation's future environmental stewardship efforts.

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