

Proposal Rating Sheet

CAFO Waste Storage and Transfer System Program

New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets
New York State Soil and Water Conservation Committee

Consideration will be given to the following factors in rating proposals:

1. **Project Demonstrates Identified Need** (Maximum Score = 10 points)

- Applicants will receive points and be rated among each other based on the calculated, whole farm storage duration currently in operation across the entire farm (i.e., the number of months of whole farm storage based on the manure and process wastewaters generated by all animals on the farm and all manure storages, whether or not a particular animal group's manure is ever managed by a particular storage on a farm).

Calculation: (Sum of all manure storage capacities across all storages, pits under barns, etc.) ÷ [(Sum of all manures and process wastewaters produced annually for the entire farm, excluding high flow silage leachate) ÷ 12 months]

- Zero months but less than or equal to 1 month = 10 points
 - Greater than 1 month but less than or equal to 2 months = 8 points
 - Greater than 2 months but less than or equal to 3 months = 6 points
 - Greater than 3 months but less than or equal to 4 months = 4 points
 - Greater than 4 months but less than or equal to 5 months = 2 points
 - Greater than 5 months but less than 6 months = 1 point
2. **Scope of Work and Time Frame** (Maximum Score = 2 points)
- Application indicates that project designs have been completed and the project is ready for implementation = 2 points
3. **Project Cost Effectiveness** (Maximum Score = 3 points)
- Application indicates that the farm has experienced a financial hardship (Maximum Score = 2 points)
 - Applicant responded 'Yes' to one or more financial status questions = 2 points
 - Applicant responded 'Yes' to none of the financial status questions = 0 points
 - Landowner proposes to contribute 50% of the total project cost or greater match in cash or in-kind services = 1 point