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NATIONAL AGRICULTURE COMPLIANCE ASSISTANCE CENTER



EPA'S National Agriculture Compliance Assistance Center

The "first stop" for people in the agricultural community who need information on compliance with environmental regulations is the National Agriculture Compliance Assistance Center.

Offered by the U.S.

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) with the support of the U.S.

Department of Agriculture (USDA), the Ag Center

offers comprehensive,

easy-to-understand

information about approaches to compliance that are both environmentally protective and agriculturally sound.

*Helping
agriculture
comply with
environmental
requirements*

The Ag Center—a part of EPA's Office of Compliance—is focusing first on providing information about EPA's own requirements.

The Center relies heavily on existing sources of agricultural information and established distribution channels.

Growers, livestock producers, other agribusinesses, and agricultural information/education providers can access the Center's resources easily—through telephone, fax, mail, and the Internet.

USDA and other agencies provide educational and technical information on agricultural production,

*Working with
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but assistance in complying with environmental requirements has not been as readily accessible. The Ag Center is working with USDA and other federal and state agencies to provide the agricultural community with a definitive source for federal environmental compliance information. The Ag Center offers information on a variety of topics, including:

- Pesticides
- Animal waste management
- Emergency planning and response
- Groundwater/surface water
- Tanks/containment
- Solid/hazardous waste

The Ag Center also supports regional and state regulatory agencies in their effort to provide compliance assistance to local agricultural communities.

Ag Center Products and Services

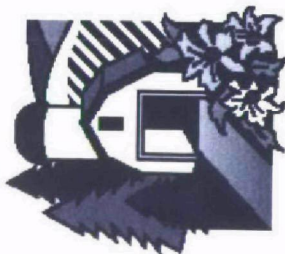
- An Internet home page regularly updated and expanded with current news, compliance policies and guidelines, pollution prevention information, sources of additional information and expertise, and summaries of regulatory initiatives and requirements.
- User-friendly materials that consolidate information about compliance requirements, pollution prevention, and technical assistance resources for use by regional and state assistance and educational programs, trade associations, businesses, citizens, and local governments.

- Agriculture-related information on reducing pollution and using the latest pollution prevention methods and technologies.
- Identification of common-sense, flexible ways to reduce the costs of meeting environmental requirements, including identification of barriers to compliance.

The Ag Center welcomes
comments on this
document and its
other services.

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Ag Center



- how to comply with environmental regulations
- ways to reduce compliance costs
- pollution prevention ideas
- referrals to sources of help



The Ag Center can help you find cost-effective ways to prevent pollution and comply with environmental regulations.

The Center offers:

- plain-language materials
- toll-free contact number
- Internet site
- referrals to sources of help



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