

**17.138 MANURE MANAGEMENT RESEARCH AND MONITORING PRIORITIES;  
COORDINATION OF RESEARCH.**

Subdivision 1. **Priorities.** (a) The commissioner, in consultation with the commissioner of the Pollution Control Agency and the Feedlot and Manure Management Advisory Committee, shall develop and maintain a list of manure management research and monitoring needs and priorities.

(b) The commissioner shall solicit the needs and ideas of livestock producers and consult with producers in developing the list.

(c) The commissioner shall also consult with agricultural and environmental researchers, state and federal agencies, and other appropriate organizations to identify current efforts as well as to assist in the development of research and monitoring needs and priorities.

Subd. 2. **Coordination of research.** The commissioner shall coordinate manure management research and monitoring and make recommendations on manure management research and monitoring funding priorities to funding bodies other than the legislature.

Subd. 3. **Best management practices.** The commissioner of the Pollution Control Agency, in consultation with the commissioner and the Feedlot and Manure Management Advisory Committee, shall develop voluntary best management practices for odor control at feedlots.

**History:** 1994 c 619 s 2; 1995 c 233 art 1 s 3; 1997 c 7 art 2 s 6