## **Overview of Manure Management Alternatives**

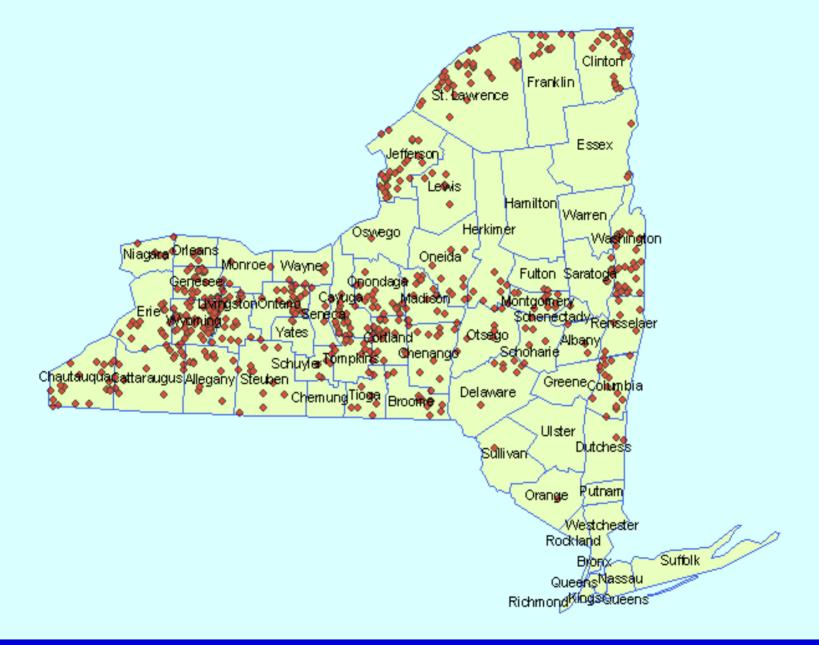
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#### **Future Predictions**

All farms will have to consider environmental impacts of their operations

Environmental considerations will become more and more detailed



# **NYSERDA Objectives:**

Improve: Environment Economics Energy

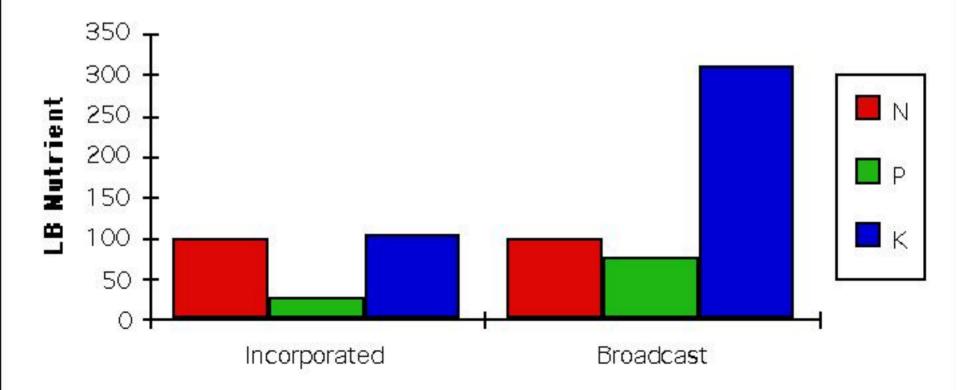
#### **Incorporation of Manure**

**Environment Preserves Ammonia Balances N:P ratio Controls Odors Reduces Pathogen loss Economics Less compaction More timely** Energy **Reduced fuel use** 



# **Nutrient Ratios with Incorporation**

#### Change in P and K With Ammonia Retention

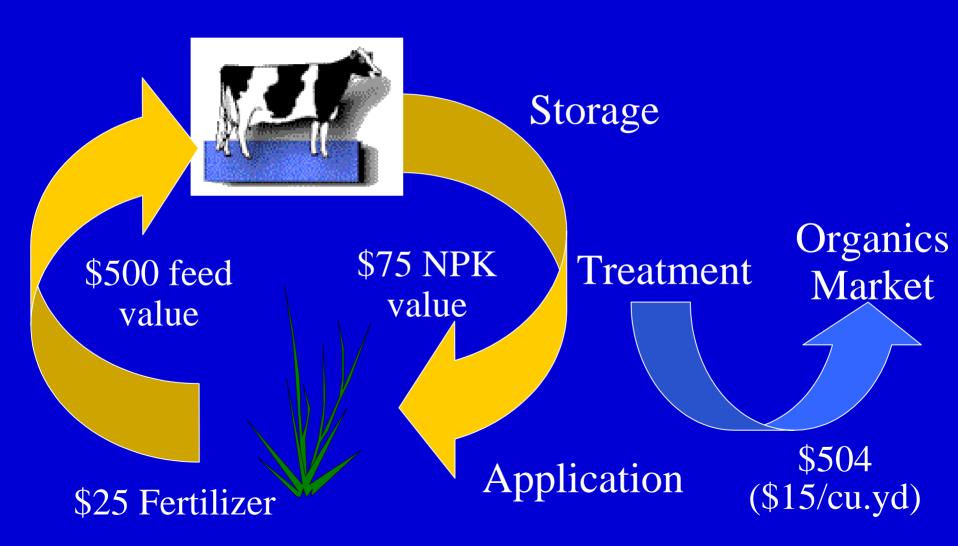


#### **Manure Treatment**

Composting

**Anaerobic Digestion** 

# **Economics to Drive Manure Treatment Technology**



# **Anaerobic Digestion**

**Environmental Reduced odors Reduced emissions Green power Nutrient management Economics By-product production Co-digestion** Energy Use of biogas as heat or electricity















# **Synthetic Covers**

Rigid (wooden or concrete) or flexible (plastic) covers hold gases and odors inside tank.

Most flexible covers float on the liquid surface.

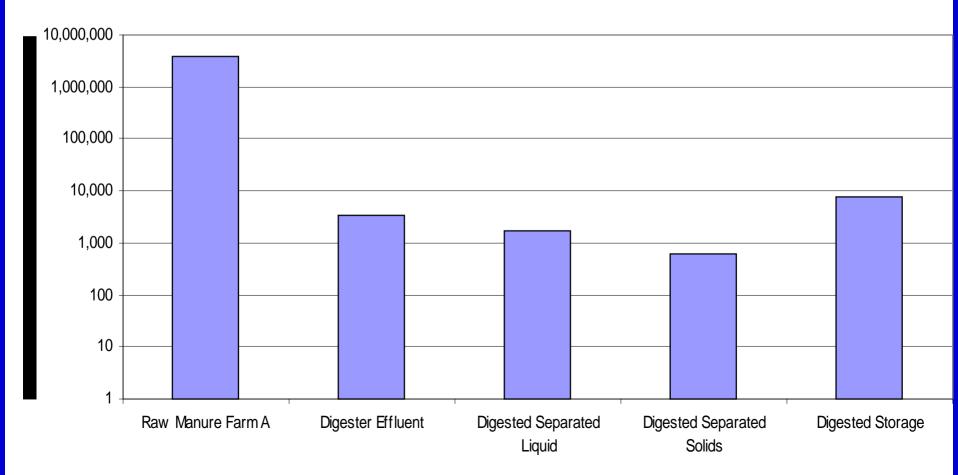


## **Pathogens**

Waterborne Pathogens from Agriculture Cryptosporidium parvum Giardia Esherichia coli O157:H7 Campylobacter Salmonella

# **Digested Manure**

Fecal Coliform data for digested dairy manure



## What to look for

Systems that may work in your situation

Lessons learned Can they be applied to your system Can they be turned into opportunities

## **Cornell Goals**

Document and Evaluate Optimize Value Added Transfer Technology



**Animal Agriculture does affect the environment** 

There opportunities to control that impact

**There are potential Win Win solutions** 

More research is needed