

AGRICHEMICAL HANDLING FACILITY

PRACTICE INTRODUCTION

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A facility with an impervious surface to provide an environmentally safe area for the storage, mixing, loading and cleanup of on-farm agrichemicals.

PRACTICE INFORMATION

To provide for the containment and isolation of spillage from on farm agrichemical mixing, loading, unloading, and rinsing operations in order to minimize pollution of, or harm to, the soil, water, air, plant, or animal resources, as well as to humans.

Design criteria for this practice include: site location, design storage volume, storage period, safety features, emptying facilities and fabricated structure criteria.

An operation and maintenance plan is developed to specify requirements for facility inspection, proper disposal of rinsate, exterior wash water, accumulated sediment, and spillage wastewater in accordance with the pesticide labeling requirements.

Refer to the practice standard in the local Field Office Technical Guide and associated specifications and job sheets for further information, including detailed design criteria