



Biosolids Regulatory Amendments Background and Context

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Overview of DEQ Presentations

- Background on Regulatory Amendments
- Major Changes in the Regulation
- What does the Transition look like?



From Whence We Came...

- VDH Biosolids Use Regulation – A Self-Modifying (almost general) Permit Program
- 2007: VDH Administratively Extends BUR Permits
Legislature transfers permits to DEQ
- Self-Implementing Components of 2007 Legislation
 - Local Ordinances for storage >45 days on multiple farms
 - Prohibiting land application of unstabilized or lime-stabilized septage
 - Permit Fees and Land Application Fees in all counties
 - DEQ inspections
 - ‘50% Rule’ for Permit Modifications: Public Meetings and Public Hearings



From Whence We Came...

- Final Exempt Regulatory Action: 2007
- 2008: DEQ Begins Issuing Individual VPA Permits under 2008 rules
 - What to do with the BURs?



From Whence We Came...

- Expert Panel Deliberations and Report: 2007-2008
- Full Regulatory Action: 2008-2013
 - Advisory Committee: 2008-2009
 - State Water Control Board – Proposed Changes: 2009
 - Executive Branch Approval: 2011
 - Public Comment Period with Public Hearings: 2011
 - Advisory Committee - Changes proposed in response to public comment: 2011
 - State Water Control Board – Final Regulation with Board Changes: 2011
 - ...Executive Branch Approval: 2013



From Whence We Came...

- 12 Month “Grace Period” for BUR land and VDH Storage Variances
- Land application currently authorized under both VDH BUR and VPA permits