

Tasks for effluent management

Month: _____		Week 1							Week 2							Week 3							Week 4							Week 5						
Day		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31				
At the Farm Dairy	Ensure that the storm water diversion is in correct position before milking.																																			
	Once yard is clean, engage the storm water diversion if rain is likely to fall – (if the storm water is after stone trap, then empty stone trap before engaging diversion.)																																			
	Make sure hoses are turned off and fix any leaks.																																			
Applying Effluent to Land	Assess whether the soil is dry enough to allow effluent application – if unsure ASK _____																																			
	Check that the end of the winch wire is anchored very securely – should be on marked post.																																			
	Check that the winch is in gear with no over-lapping wire																																			
	Check that the irrigator nozzles are not blocked																																			
	Layout the hose correctly (see picture)																																			
	Ensure the hose is well attached and will not fall off																																			
	Ensure that the irrigator has enough run left for the time that you will be irrigating																																			
	Turn the pump on and check that it sounds normal																																			
	Re-check the irrigator to ensure that it is working properly																																			
	Check drains (especially mole and tile) during and after applying effluent to make sure there is no effluent coming out																																			
	Record the effluent application where appropriate																																			
	Weekly Tasks	Make sure irrigator is clean and does not have a coat of effluent on it																																		
		Grease the irrigator and ratchet drives – there are _____ grease nipples																																		
Grease the cable winch drum																																				
Check the hole on the rubber nozzles is not split																																				
Check that the tyres are inflated to the right pressure																																				
If nearly finished irrigating paddock, determine what paddock is next for irrigating – needs to be recently grazed																																				
Ensure connection joints on the hydrant main line are kept clean																																				
Empty stone trap																																				
Pump Maintenance	If using float switches, check that they are clear and working																																			
	Check over-land pipes for leaks																																			
	Grease the effluent pump- there are _____ grease nipples																																			
	Have read and understand the RULES for applying effluent to land																																			