



Supply Chain Management for Upgrading Waste Materials to Value-Added Products

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II.Problem definition

III.Approach

IV.Tool



































Nutrient pollution prevention and control

Avoid the harmful algal blooms (HABs)

- I. Public health protection from microbial contaminants in water bodies
- II. Protect aquatic life from toxic chemicals
 - III.Maximizing treatment effectiveness and minimizing cost









Excess levels of nutrients in the watersheds of the US

Impediment to water quality

Environmental issues Economic concerns





Environmental issues

The rapid growth or bloom of phytoplankton (HABs) is triggered primarily by increased nutrient levels. Also, low water flows, warmer temperatures, and other factors.





Economic concerns

Economic impacts may include: •Medical and veterinary expenses •Increased cost of drinking water treatment •Decreased recreational revenue and property values.





Goal

Provide tools, technologies, and best practices to predict, monitor, manage, and assess effectiveness of nutrientreducing efforts





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2 RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION







Problems of nutrients in agriculture:				
	Organic	Inorganic		
Ν	 Chemically bounded to C Must be converted to inorg. N by microorganisms to be available to plants Mostly present in the solid phase of manure. 	 Immediately available to plants Mostly available in the liquid phase of the manure. 		
Ρ	 Chemically bounded to C Must be converted to inorg. P by microorganisms to be available to plants Mostly available in the solid phase of manure. 	 P in phosphate form Available disolved and bounded to minerals Soluble P is immediately available to plants Mostly available in the liquid phase of the manure. 		







SUPPLY CHAIN DESIGN FOR UPGRADING WASTE MATERIALS TO VALUE-ADDED PRODUCTS

Develop a techno-economic decision tool for nutrient management from animal waste to guide decision maker's to design the optimal waste management system for nutrient pollution prevention and control





SUPPLY CHAIN DESIGN FOR UPGRADING WASTE MATERIALS TO VALUE-ADDED PRODUCTS

Techno-economic decision tool

Technoeconomic evaluation modules for nutrient recovery and treatment

Watershed-scale approach to prevent or mitigate potential occurrence of HABs Aid in the nutrient recovery technology decision making process

















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Cattle digestate hindrances:

Complex matrix

- I. Complex Interactions between different chemical systems
- II. High ionic strength (reduce the availability of ions for product formation)
- III.Presence of calcium ions (compete for phosphate ions and reduce the selectivity for struvite)

High variability in the composition

















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Indicators

NARS data: TP and NH₄

+ HUC8: extent of surface water drainage using a hierarchical system of nesting hydrologic units (USGS)

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[NH₄] (mg/L)

[TP] (µg/L)





Geographic data











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Ceres project

Ceres_Filtration_v1. Tool for selection of nutrients recovery technologies. Edgar Martín Hernández. Cincinnati 2019.

Model data

The model has the following statistics:

- Technologies considered: 4
- Technologies considered with generation of added value products: 2
- Technologies considered with only nutrients removal: 2

Technology selection

Open model to select the optimal nutrients recovery technology: Input data



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