

## Department of Agriculture – Manure & Nutrient Management

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In this presentation, Ryan Erisman of the WI DATCP will discuss nutrient management regulations regarding manure spreading. Using audience participation, he'll break down the regulations between farm management decisions and decisions that can be made "in the cab."



Ryan Erisman is the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection's nutrient management specialist. Ryan grew up a 2,000 acre grain and beef farm that transitioned to certified organic production in the early 1990s. He graduated from UW-Madison with a B.A. in Behavioral Science. Ryan served 10 years as a Marine Corps infantry officer. On his second tour in Iraq, he commanded a 150-man rifle company outside Fallujah. He and his Marines lived in rural villages, built relationships with the local tribes—including low-level insurgents, and fought Al Qaeda together. Ryan worked for 5 years as the first regional ambassador for the Farmer Veteran Coalition. He raises pastured pork with his family on a small farm in Sun Prairie.