

Watershed Agricultural Program Guideline

4.3.06

REPAIR & REPLACEMENT OF 0-6 MONTHS OF AGE CALF HOUSING

The purpose of this guideline is to determine the level of repair and replacement for calf housing structures that were originally planned and constructed for 0-6 months of age dairy calves. The current planning guideline for dairy calf housing structures accommodates 0-3 months only.

Participants that have existing calf housing structures that accommodate 0-6 months of age dairy calves.

1. If there is adequate room for all age groups in the current structure, then WAP will repair or replace following the prioritization methodology.
2. If there is **Not** adequate room for all age groups in the current structure;
 1. Landowner available housing for the 3-6 months of age calves will be the first option.
 2. If there is no alternate housing available for the 3-6 months of age;
 - a. A new 0-3 months of age calf housing structure will be considered.
 - b. The original 0-6 month structure will be relinquished to the landowner to use for the older aged animals, if the life-span for that BMP has expired. The landowner would sign a hold harmless agreement and the WAP would no longer be responsible for repair or replacement of this structure.
3. Non-Engineered (No Engineer structural approval) calf housing structures would be replaced and not repaired due to the types and quality of materials, in accordance with 1 & 2 above.
4. Calf Housing structures that were constructed and the landowner paid for the 3-6 months of age portion of the structure will be repaired as follows;

The landowner will be responsible for the costs of any repair or replacement to the 3-6 months portion of the structure. The landowner must comply with all BMP Procurement Procedures to satisfy their costs.
5. If the existing 0-6 months of age calf structures have reached their lifespan and are converted to another use they will no longer be considered for 3-6 months of age calf housing repair or replacement. These structures would only be considered for BMP repair or replacement of 0-3 months of age calf housing, if they convert back to a dairy operation.