## COUNTY OF VENTURE

## **Environmental Health Division • Public Information**

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## **Fact Sheet**

## Hazardous Material Business Plans For Agricultural Operations

- Facilities that meet the definition of a farm and that store hazardous materials at or above 55 gallons (liquids), 200 cubic feet (compressed gases), and/or 500 pounds (solids) are required by State law (Health and Safety Code 25507.1) to electronically submit owner/operator information, hazardous materials inventory and upload a site map in the California Electronic Reporting System (CERS).
- Farms are exempt from uploading an Emergency Response and Training plan provided the following conditions are met:
  - 1. **Annually** review and submit the hazardous materials business plan electronically in CERS.
  - 2. Employees are trained annually on safety plans and procedures for releases of hazardous materials.
  - 3. All buildings and enclosures that store pesticides, fertilizers, or petroleum oils/fuels are posted with warning signs stating:

Danger
Hazardous Materials Storage Area
(Pesticides, Petroleum Fuels, Oils, or Fertilizers)
All Unauthorized Persons Keep Out
In an Emergency, Contact:
Name
Telephone Number

Signs must be visible from 25 feet away and from all probably entrance points. Signs must be in English and Spanish where needed.

- Agricultural operations that meet all of the above conditions, qualify for a reduced annual permit fee and are exempt from submitting an emergency response and training plan in CERS.
- Farms that are subject to other CUPA programs, may be required to submit additional information.