



Taylor County Conservation District Provides Dead Animal Removal Program

Since the year 2000, Taylor County Conservation District has provided the “Dead Animal Removal Program” service to all residents within Taylor County. Taylor County Fiscal Court, the Kentucky Division of Conservation and the Governor’s Office of Agricultural Policy are partners in this vital program. This environmentally sound program is very important to insuring the continued protection of our valuable water supply.

For Pickup
Call A & S
Livestock and
Feed at
1-270-343-4680
1-270-566-2421

A&S Livestock and Feed, which is located in Jamestown, Kentucky, began providing service in Taylor County on July 1, 2010. They may be contacted at 1-270-343-4680 during regular business hours or contact Mark Antle, the owner, on his cell phone at 1-270-566-2421. Please make every effort to contact them on the same day that the animal is deceased. A&S disposes of the carcasses by incineration.

As you may be aware, there have been significant changes with the disposal requirements for rendering companies. All rendering companies must comply with the new law federal regulation 21 CFR 589.2001 entitled “Cattle Materials Prohibited in Animal Food or Feed To Prevent the Transmission of Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy.” These regulations are continuing to significantly increase the cost in rendering the stock and causing some companies to stop the pickup of dead stock altogether. In the past the Taylor County Conservation District was able to offer this service free of charge, however, due to the strict regulations mentioned above, the cost has risen significantly. This resulted in the District changing their program where the resident pays the cost of the pickup and then receives a partial reimbursement.

Between the years of 1996 – 1999, the average number of private pickups per year was only 320 animals. After this program was implemented the number of carcasses picked up in Taylor County rose dramatically. This total has increased to approximately 1000 pickups per year. This increase shows the importance of keeping this program operating.

Unless dead animals are disposed of in a proper manner, our groundwater...our drinking water, becomes polluted. We want to prevent this as much as possible since the quality of our groundwater affects everyone. We invite you to utilize this vital program again this year and to share the enclosed information with others who may benefit from it. Our groundwater is worth protecting!



The Taylor County Conservation District Dead Animal Disposal Program

Participants should call A&S Livestock and Feed at
1-270-343-4680 or 1-270-566-2421 for pick-up.

Program Guidelines

- Animals will be picked up on a cost share basis to the resident. The Taylor County Conservation District will reimburse 100% with submission of a receipt from A&S. The resident must pay for the initial pickup by leaving money or a check in a jar next to the animal or by paying the driver. The service includes the following animals and the current fees, effective May 1, 2011 are listed below.
 - **Horses - \$100**
 - **Cows & Bulls - \$75**
 - **Large Bulls (1800 pounds) - \$100**
 - **Hogs, goats, sheep, llamas, ostrich - \$60**
- The program is for residents of Taylor County for pick up within the boundaries of the County. Commercial facilities are not included.
- The resident will be required to provide A&S Livestock and Feed the following information for reporting purposes: name, address, and type and weight of animal.
- A & S Livestock and Feed will pick up dead stock within 48 hours of notice. They will use their best effort to pick up the animal the same day as they receive notice if possible. Please make every effort to contact them the same day the animal is deceased.
- Animals for pick up must be accessible by a public roadway. Animals must be located on the property at a location that is a gravel, blacktop, or concrete area and in a manner that they may be picked up without interference of fences, buildings, or the like.
- If live animals are located in the same area where the dead animal is located, then the owner will be required to provide assistance.

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