HAVING OR GIVING OFF A SMELL, ESPECIALLY A STRONG OR DISTINCTIVE ONE—Maryland farmers work hard to be good neighbors when spreading manure, but sometimes odors are unavoidable.

Farmers who till their fields are required to work manure into the soil. This helps cut down on odors and nutrient losses. Farmers who have switched to no-till farming practices to improve their soil’s health, spread manure on top of their fields when conditions are right. All farmers rely on good planning and favorable weather to reduce odors and protect water quality. Learn more.