

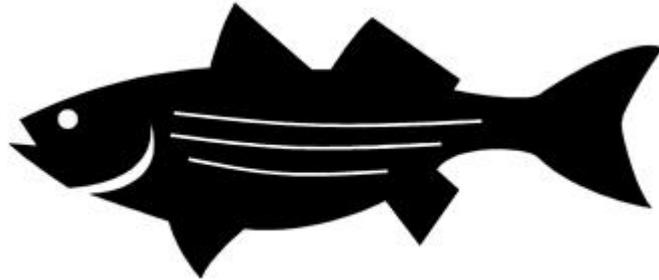
**LINKING PROFITABILITY,  
RENEWABLE ENERGY,  
AND EXTERNALITIES:  
A SPATIAL ECONOMETRIC ASSESSMENT  
OF THE SUSTAINABILITY OF OHIO  
DAIRIES**



# EXTERNALITIES

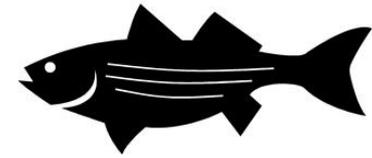
- Focus: Valuation of externalities & remedies...
- Motivation
- Data: Livestock operations across Ohio
- Modeling
- Results & implications
- The remedy (?)

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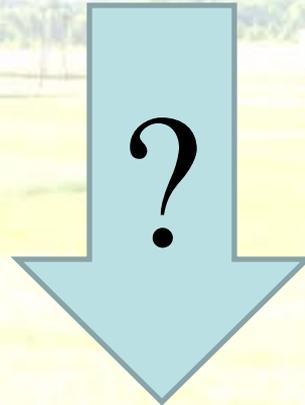


- **Between 1997 and 2002 *agriculture was responsible for about 22% of the 356 fish kills in the state of Ohio and over 70% of these were due to livestock manure spills.***
- **Between 2000 and 2003, 98 cases of animal waste (most dairy or swine) leakage documented in Ohio. Improper manure storage practices were responsible for 33% of these spills.**

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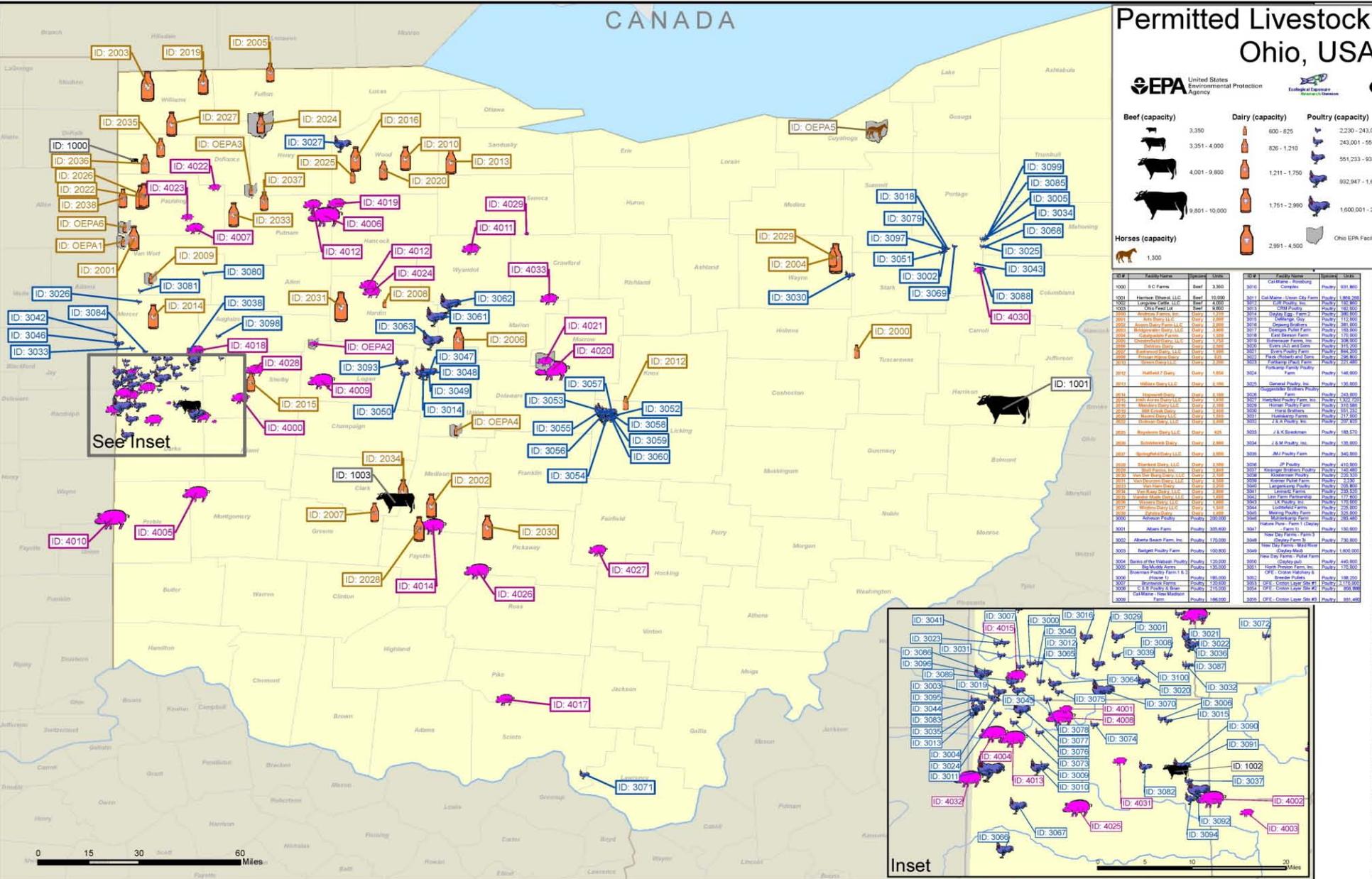


Runoff from farming operations contributes to eutrophication in near and far off water bodies...



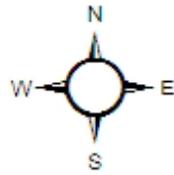
**What** is the actual cost of the environmental pollution stemming from livestock operations in dollar terms?

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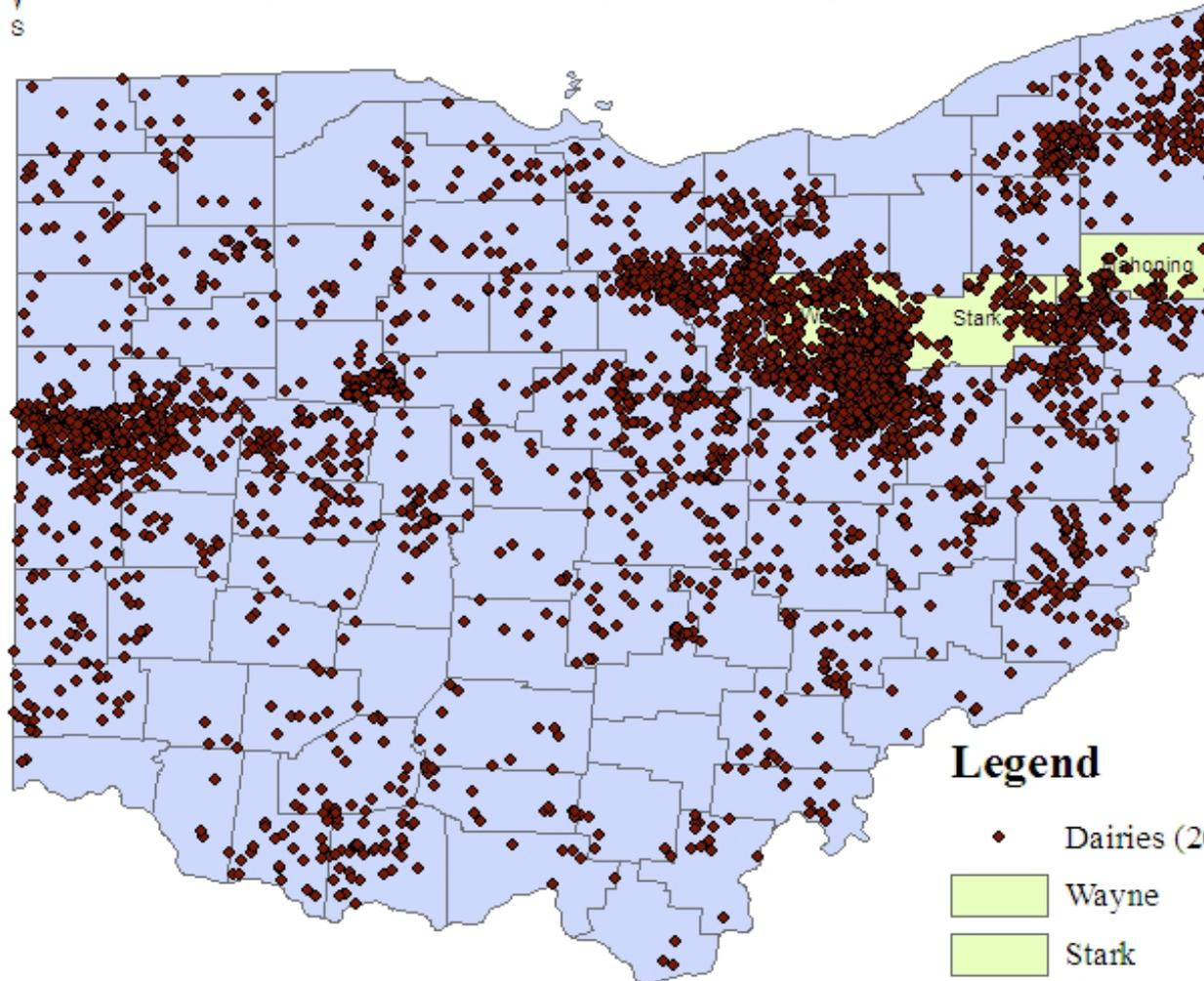
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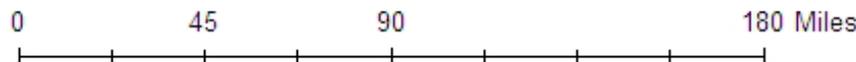
Ohio Dairies in 2002

Grade A & M Dairies (Ohio Dairy Division Data)

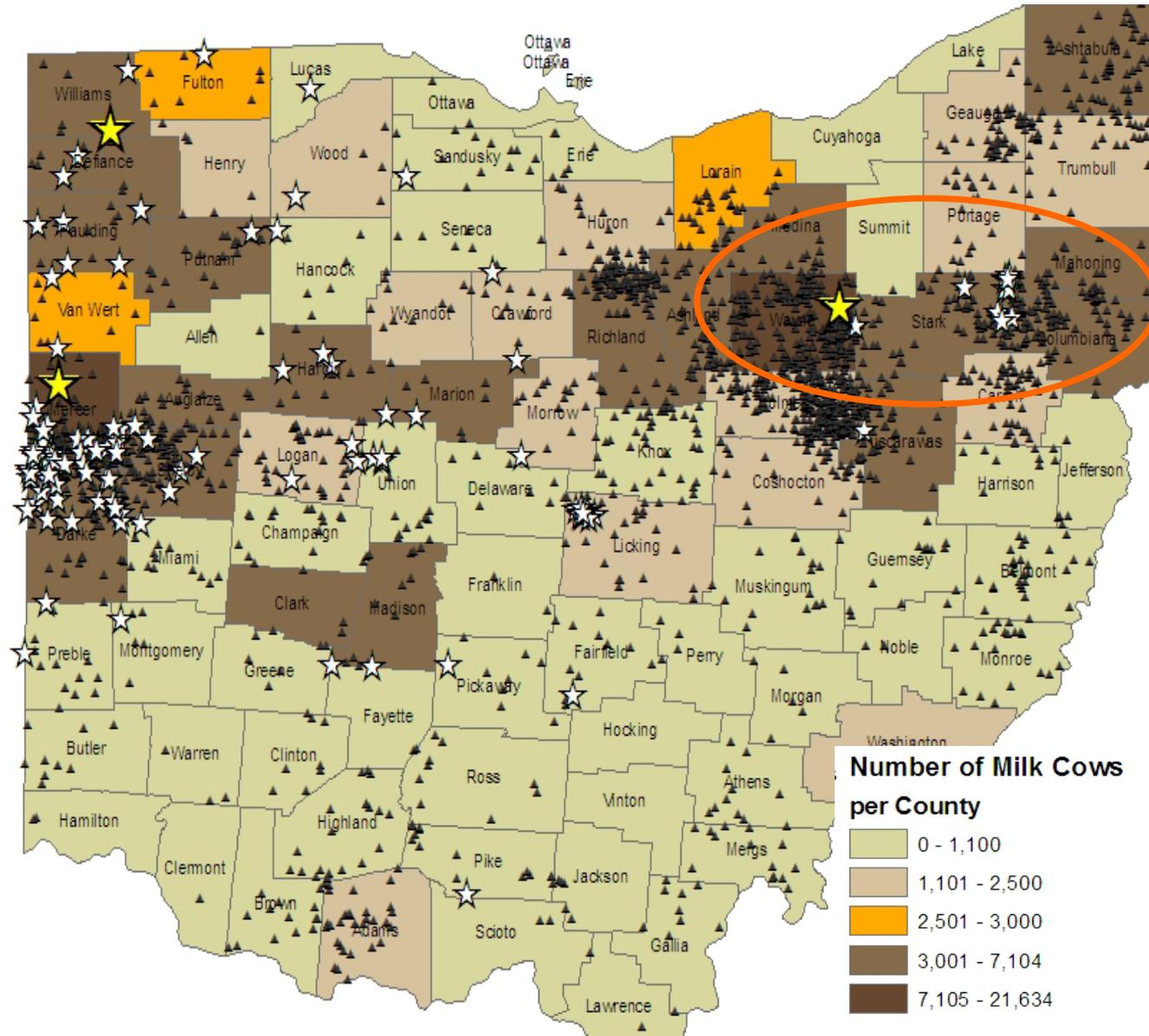


## Legend

- ◆ Dairies (2002 data)
- Wayne
- Stark
- Mahoning
- Ohio Counties



# EXTERNALITIES



1. Quantified monetary *value of impact* (assumed **cost**, could be benefit).

2. Estimated potential **benefits of reduction** of impact.



# EXTERNALITIES

| <b>2000-2001</b>                                      | <b>Mahoning</b> | <b>Stark</b> | <b>Wayne</b>  |
|---|-----------------|--------------|---------------|
| <b>Number of properties within 3 miles of a dairy</b> | <b>100</b>      | <b>147</b>   | <b>107</b>    |
| <b>Average proximity of a property to a dairy</b>     | <b>0.92</b>     | <b>0.64</b>  | <b>0.43</b>   |
| <b>Number of dairies within county borders</b>        | <b>59</b>       | <b>144</b>   | <b>628</b>    |
| <b>Number of milk cows (1999)*</b>                    | <b>4,400</b>    | <b>9,200</b> | <b>30,500</b> |

| <b>2003-2004</b>                                      | <b>Mahoning</b> | <b>Stark</b> | <b>Wayne</b>  |
|---|-----------------|--------------|---------------|
| <b>Number of properties within 3 miles of a dairy</b> | <b>121</b>      | <b>157</b>   | <b>103</b>    |
| <b>Average proximity of a property to a dairy</b>     | <b>0.98</b>     | <b>0.69</b>  | <b>0.45</b>   |
| <b>Number of dairies within county borders</b>        | <b>60</b>       | <b>116</b>   | <b>519</b>    |
| <b>Number of milk cows (2003)*</b>                    | <b>4,700</b>    | <b>9,100</b> | <b>33,300</b> |

***17% of Ohio's Dairy cattle are found in these 3 counties (USDA, 2009).***

# EXTERNALITIES

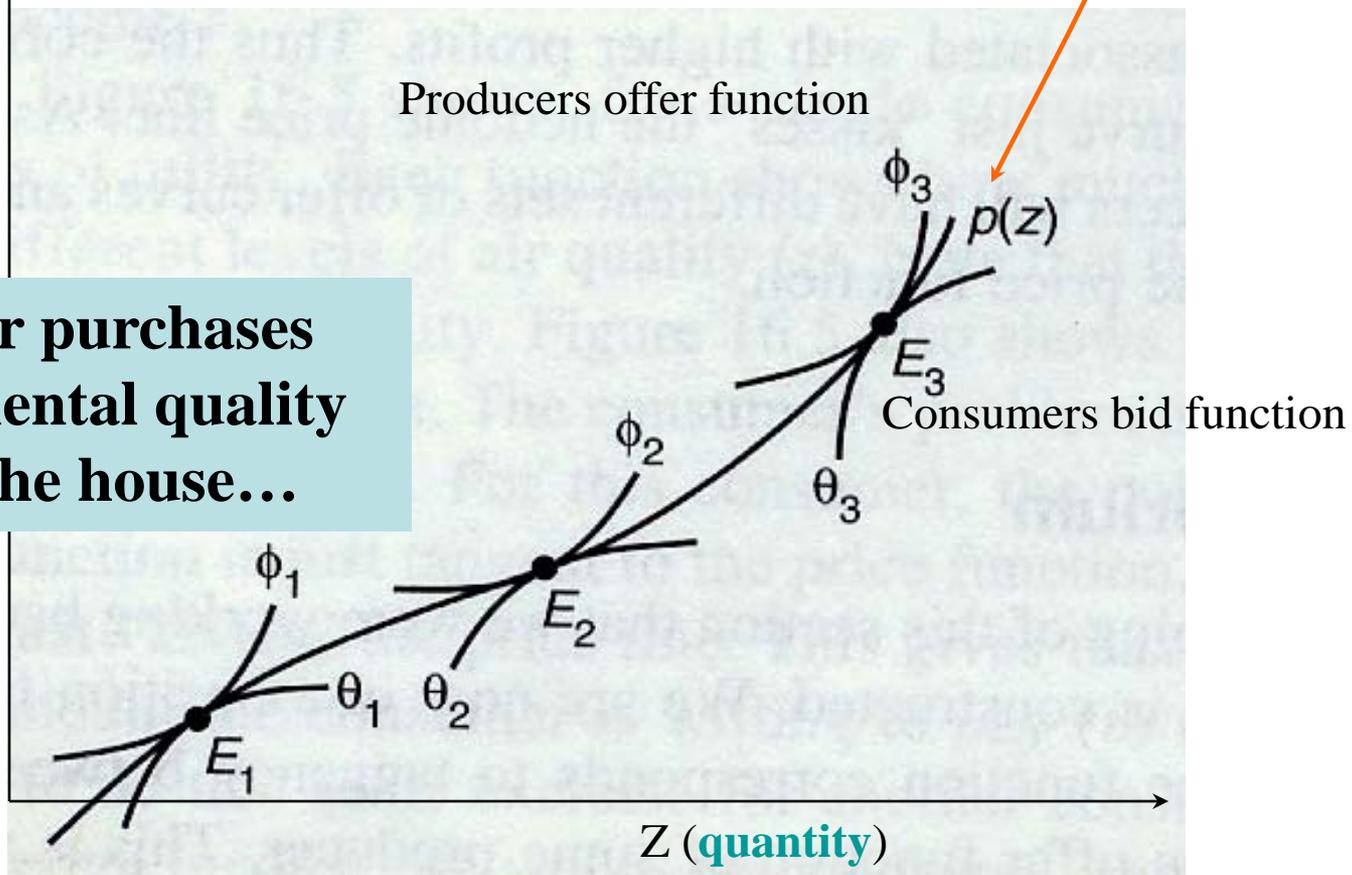
## Hedonic Price Function

$P =$  price of environmental quality = price of *proximity to amenity* or *disamenity*

$P$   
(\$)

Producers offer function

Consumer purchases environmental quality through the house...

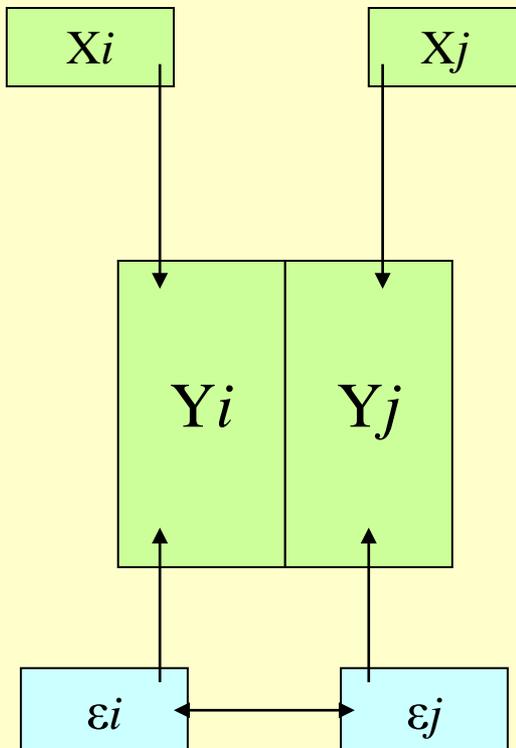


\* For 3 different consumers/producers

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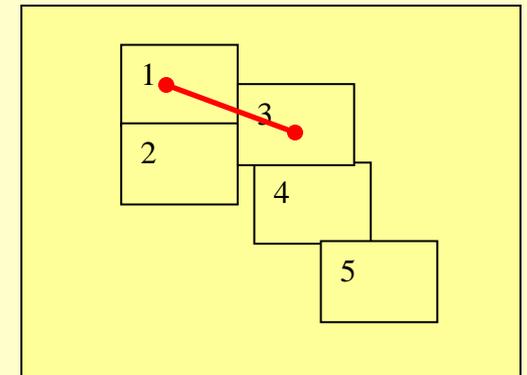
As an alternative to the lag specification, the interaction may be “located” in the error term so that the model is constructed as...



$$Y = X\beta + \mu,$$
$$\mu = \lambda W\mu + \epsilon \quad \epsilon \sim (0, \sigma^2 I_n)$$

Estimated using MLE.

Using OLS would yield inefficient, but *not* biased estimates (incorrect significance & fit).



# EXTERNALITIES

2000-2001

| Variable                                       | Coefficient   | Std. Error   | Z            | Probability  |
|--|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Constant                                       | -722.704      | 157.209      | -4.60        | 0.000        |
| ln Acres                                       | 4.573         | 2.125        | 2.15         | 0.031        |
| Basement (dummy)                               | 13.149        | 3.247        | 4.05         | 0.000        |
| ln Year built                                  | -24.630       | 11.776       | -2.09        | 0.036        |
| Other structures (dummy)                       | 9.812         | 4.582        | 2.14         | 0.032        |
| ln Bedroom                                     | 19.234        | 6.485        | 2.97         | 0.003        |
| ln Full bath                                   | 16.996        | 4.446        | 3.82         | 0.000        |
| ln Half bath                                   | 22.863        | 10.891       | 2.10         | 0.036        |
| ln Stories                                     | 11.154        | 4.522        | 2.47         | 0.014        |
| ln Fireplaces                                  | 32.869        | 7.094        | 4.63         | 0.000        |
| ln Living area                                 | 33.514        | 6.165        | 5.44         | 0.000        |
| ln Grade                                       | 185.171       | 14.226       | 13.02        | 0.000        |
| <b>ln Dist to dairy</b>                        | <b>10.403</b> | <b>2.499</b> | <b>4.16</b>  | <b>0.000</b> |
| ln Dist to city (2% decline in property value) | 4.377         | 3.370        | 1.30         | 0.194        |
| ln med. Household income per mile...           | 36.872        | 7.714        | 4.78         | 0.000        |
| ln School quality                              | 43.814        | 28.136       | 1.56         | 0.119        |
| Wayne County (dummy)                           | -7.646        | 8.310        | -0.92        | 0.358        |
| Stark county (dummy)                           | 23.246        | 4.917        | 4.73         | 0.000        |
| <i>Lambda</i>                                  | <b>0.371</b>  | <b>0.019</b> | <b>19.54</b> | <b>0.000</b> |

Marginal price = \$0.57 per foot

per mile...

# EXTERNALITIES



2000-2001

*Marginal price* = **\$0.57** per foot

Impact: 2% decline in property value per mile (on average)

2003-2004

*Marginal price* = **\$0.51** per foot

Impact: 1.5% decline in property value per mile (on average)

\* The results indicate that a **10% increase in environmental quality** consumed at the average (distance) would yield a **\$502 benefit to the household.**

\* A 25% increase in environmental quality consumed at the average would yield a **\$1140 benefit.**

# EXTERNALITIES

\* A 10% increase in distance for all households, relative to the actual  $q$  consumed by a household *across the whole region* (which includes 10,090 homeowners) would generate a consumer **surplus of \$3.975 million.**

?

## *Local Estimation of Benefits*

**Mahoning**

**Stark**

**Wayne**

**Number of properties within 3 m of a dairy ('03)**

**121**

**157**

**103**

**Benefits to home owners within 3 m...**

**\$60,742**

**\$78,814**

**\$51,706**

**Number of dairies within county borders ('03)**

**60**

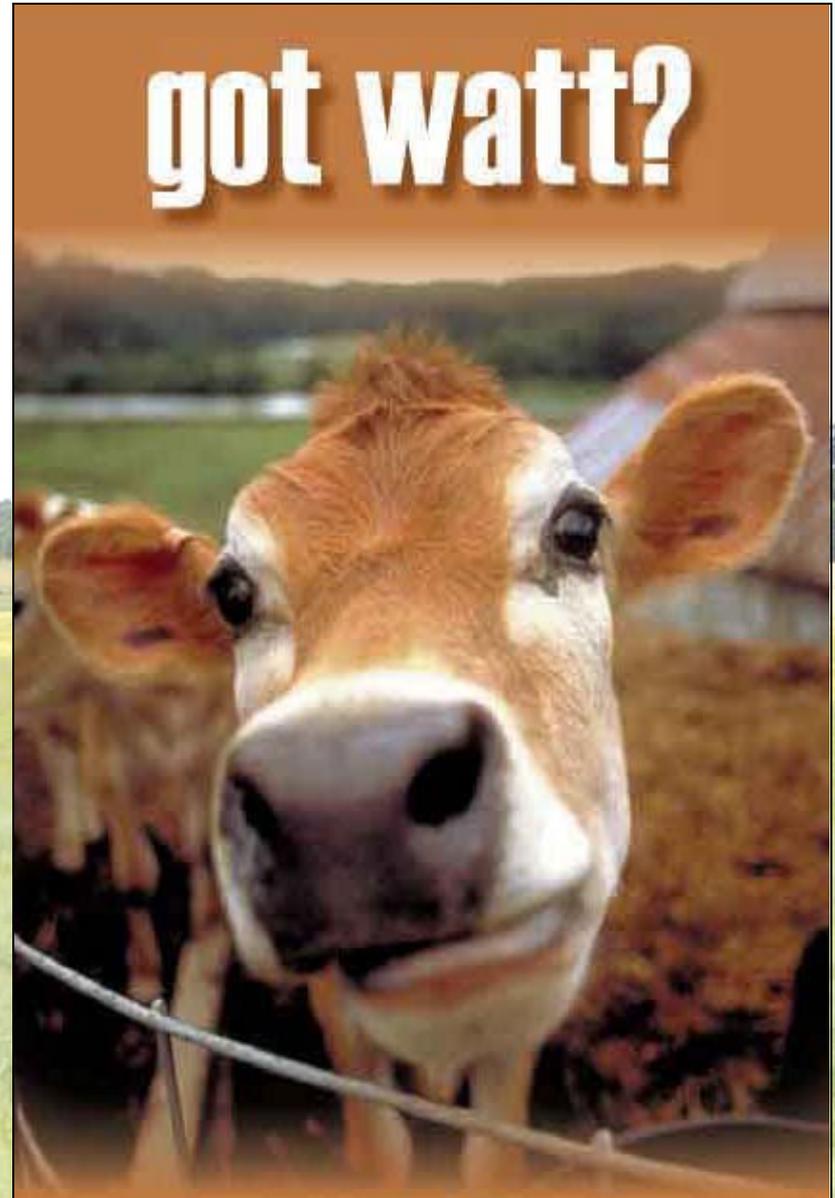
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# REMEDY ?

**Ghafoori et al. (2006) found that net power generation (on site via biogas produced by an AD system) emits 90% less GHGs than proportional conventional grid production...**

**(results based upon data derived from a 50,000 head feedlot operation in Canada, *measured via life cycle analysis*).**



# REMEDY ?

**Ohio** is currently home to 235,000 dairy cows, which may be capable of producing 958,000 kWh to 1.8 million kWh of electricity per day, and **decreasing emissions** (relative to coal) **by up to 30%** (depending on collection, methane content, and conversion efficiency).



**4%**

# REMEDY ?

A medium 95-100 cow, 180 animal operation can provide enough power to sustain at least 15 homes (consuming on average over 900 kWh per month).

**State-wide Annual Emissions** (assuming 25% reduction due to treatment by AD, 65% of waste kept in dry, 35% kept in liquid form in storage)

| Kg<br>CO <sub>2</sub>                 | 60% methane<br>25% C |                      | 60% methane<br>40% C |                      | 70% methane<br>40% C |                      |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
|                                       |                      | coal                 |                      | coal                 |                      | coal                 |
| Electricity                           | 251,579,746          | 215,890,370          | 251,583,309          | 345,424,592          | 265,976,935          | 402,995,357          |
| N <sub>2</sub> O as CO <sub>2</sub> e | 282,908,286          | 377,211,048          | 282,908,286          | 377,211,048          | 282,908,286          | 377,211,048          |
| CH <sub>4</sub> as CO <sub>2</sub> e  | 293,042,567          | 390,723,423          | 293,042,567          | 390,723,423          | 293,042,567          | 390,723,423          |
| Enteric                               | 1,817,231,999        | 1,817,231,999        | 1,817,231,999        | 1,817,231,999        | 1,817,231,999        | 1,817,231,999        |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                          | <b>2,644,762,599</b> | <b>2,801,056,840</b> | <b>2,644,766,161</b> | <b>2,930,591,062</b> | <b>2,659,159,788</b> | <b>2,988,161,827</b> |
| % reduction                           | 7.4%                 |                      | 11.6%                |                      | 12.9%                |                      |

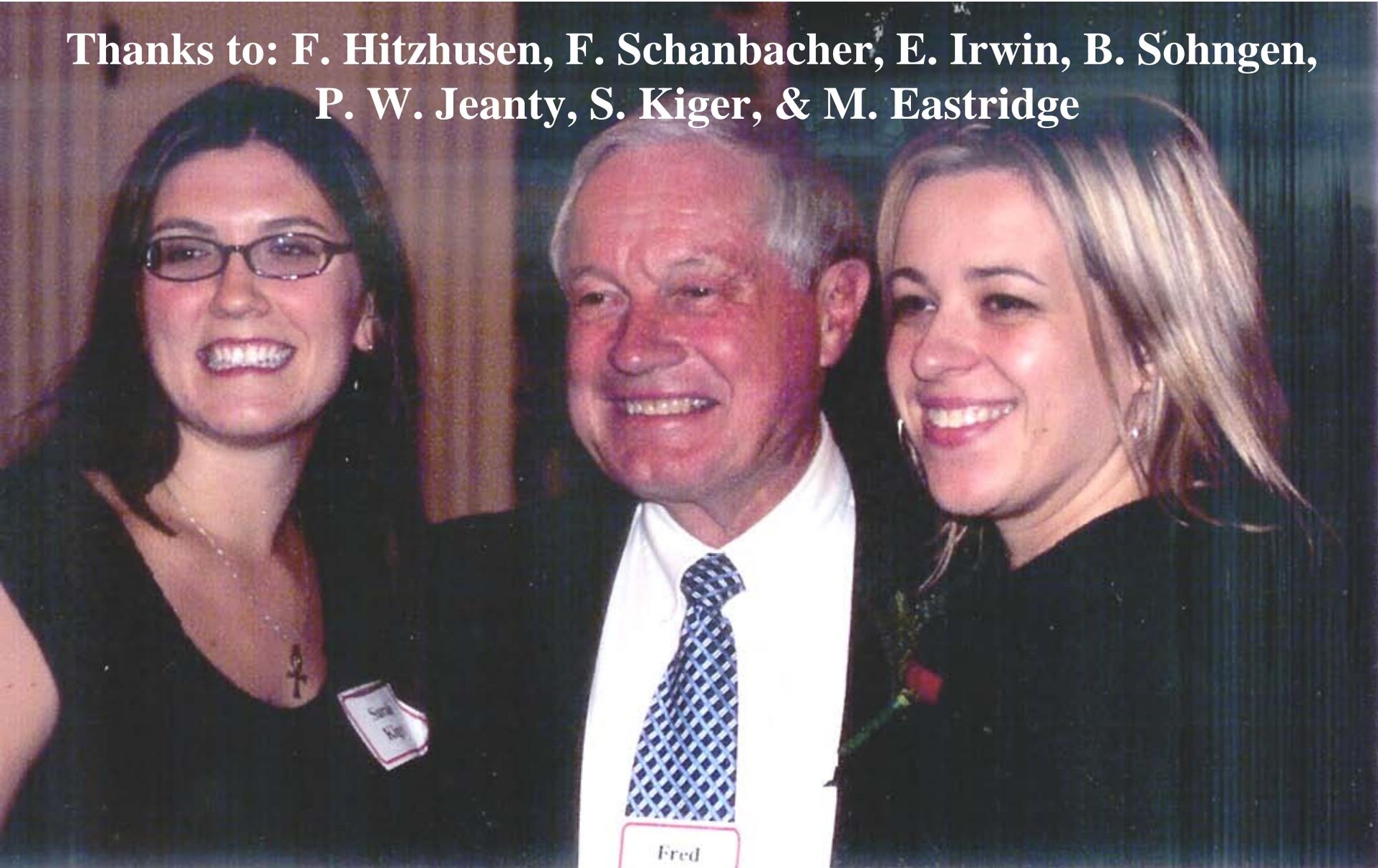
**25%**  
collected



→ **1%**  
power

(end)

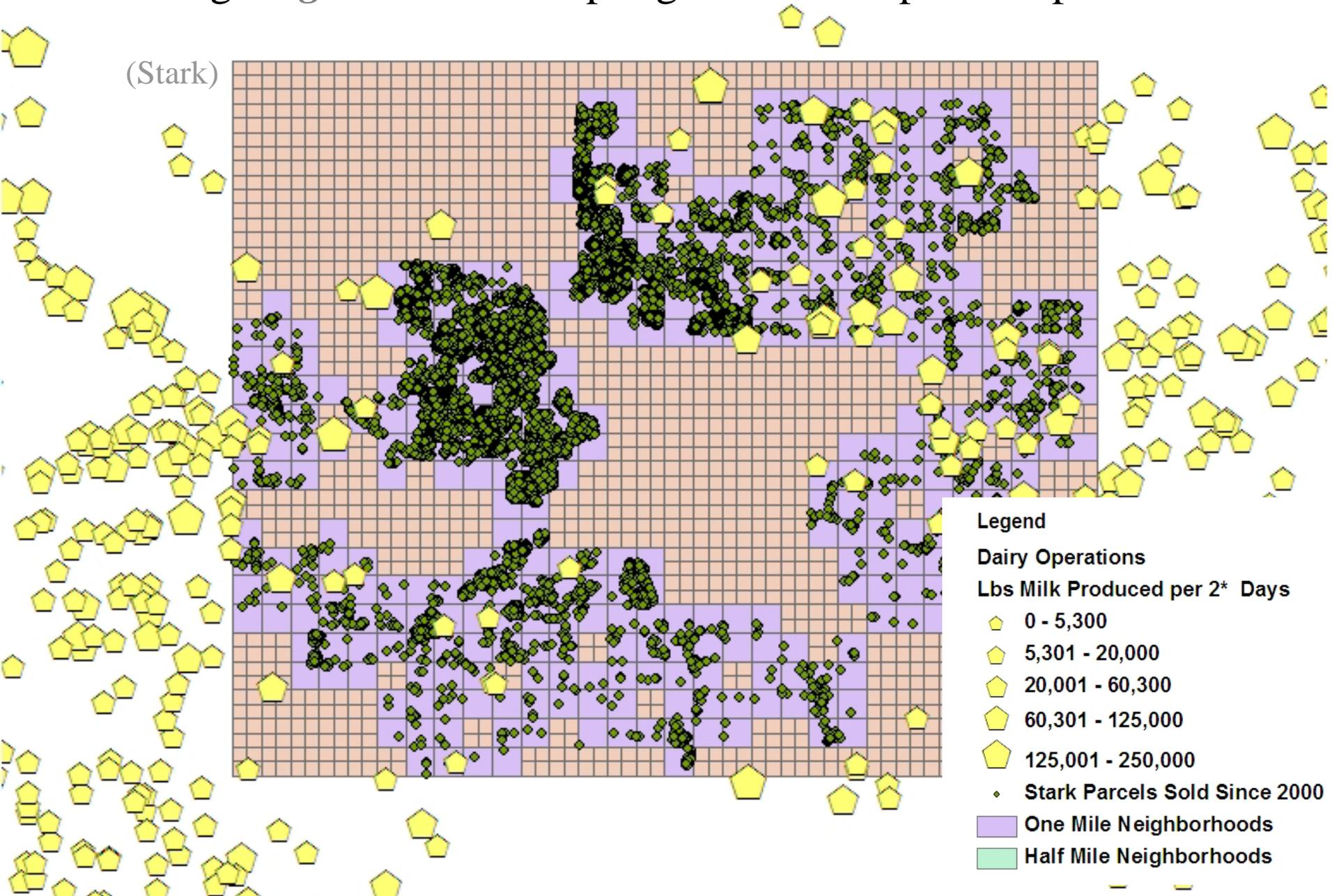
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# Using *neighborhood* sampling to address spatial dependence...

(Stark)



# Financial & Economic Assessment (spreadsheet)

|   |            |            |
|---|------------|------------|
| Number of Neighbors   |            | 200        |
| Average distance of neighbor (in feet)                              | 16,260     | 16,260     |
| Value of externality per foot                                       | 0.51       | 0.51       |
| Value of 10% reduction (WTP estimate)                               | 0          | 1,000      |
| <b>Externality Reduction Benefits based on MP of externality</b>    | 829,260    | 829,260    |
| <b>Externality Reduction Benefits for by value of 25% reduction</b> | 0          | 200,000    |
| <b>Externality Reduction Benefits based on \$/cow</b>               | 0          | 0          |
| <b>Revenue (Energy &amp; Benefits)</b>                              | 166,368    | 166,368    |
| Transportation Costs (If relevant)                                  |            |            |
| Operator Costs  | 9,125      | 9,125      |
| Other maintenance expenditures                                      | 6,210      | 6,210      |
| <b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES</b>                                     | 15,335     | 15,335     |
| <b>Operating expenses less avoided costs</b>                        | 15,335     | 15,335     |
| <b>Revenue less operating expenses</b>                              | 151,033    | 151,033    |
| Total Depreciation  | 75,550     | 65,550     |
| Total Depreciation & Operating costs                                | 90,885     | 80,885     |
| Interest  | 0          | 0          |
| <b>Total cost of depreciation and interest</b>                      | 75,550     | 65,550     |
| Net returns over system & operating costs                           | 75,483     | 85,483     |
| <b>Simple Pay Back Period (based on Lazarus, 2007)</b>              | <b>7.6</b> | <b>6.3</b> |
| Planned Payback (investment/depreciation)                           | 15         | 15         |

# Greenhouse Gas Emissions (IPCC, 2006)

| Substance              | Source/ Activity |                              | Emissions (kg per year) | Emissions as CO <sub>2</sub> e (kg per year) |             |
|------------------------|------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|--|-------------|
| Methane                | Animals          | Enteric fermentation (TOTAL) | *                       | 17436.80786                                  | 366172.9651 |
|                        |                  | Lactating cows               | *                       | 13548.46471                                  | 284517.7588 |
|                        |                  | Dry cows                     | *                       | 846.7479296                                  | 17781.70652 |
|                        |                  | Heifers                      | *                       | 2761.955964                                  | 58001.07524 |
|                        |                  | Calves                       | *                       | 279.6392646                                  | 5872.424557 |
|                        | Manure           | Anaerobic lagoon             |                         | 0  | 0           |
|                        |                  | Lagoon (LG)                  |                         | 32645.79043                                  | 685561.599  |
|                        |                  | Liquid/ slurry (LS)          |                         | 8408.764201                                  | 176584.0482 |
|                        |                  | Storage Pond (SP)            |                         | 19290.69434                                  | 405104.5812 |
|                        |                  | Composting (CM)              |                         | 247.3165942                                  | 5193.648477 |
|                        |                  | Deep Pit (<1 month) (D1)     |                         | 0  | 0           |
|                        |                  | Deep Pit (>1 month) (D2)     |                         | 12118.51311                                  | 254488.7754 |
|                        |                  | Stacked Solids (SS)          |                         | 741.9497825                                  | 15580.94543 |
|                        |                  | Digester (DG)                |                         | 4946.331883                                  | 103872.9695 |
|                        |                  | Burned for fuel (BF)         |                         | 4946.331883                                  | 103872.9695 |
|                        |                  | Daily spread (DS)            |                         | 49.46331883                                  | 1038.729695 |
|                        |                  | Housing:                     |                         | 0  |             |
|                        |                  | Dry lot (DL)                 |                         |  |             |
|                        |                  | Pasture range/ paddock (PS)  |                         | 494.6331883                                  | 10387.29695 |
|                        |                  | Free stall barn flush        |                         | NA   |             |
| Free stall barn scrape |                  | NA                           |                         |  |             |
| (Land application)     |                  | NA                           |                         |  |             |
| <b>Manure total</b>    |                  |                              | 83889.78874             | 1761685.563                                  |             |

# Land based emissions

Measure via:

1. IPCC methodology or,
2. estimate by type of crop and quantity of land in production...

|                 |             | kg CH <sub>4</sub> per ha per year |                  |                                 |                           |
|-----------------|-------------|------------------------------------|------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------|
|                 |             | Acres Planted                      | Hectares Planted | CH <sub>4</sub> Emission Factor | CH <sub>4</sub> Emissions |
| Corn            | Grain       | 45                                 | 18.21085394      | -1.5                            | -27.3162809               |
|                 | Silage      | 2                                  | 0.809371286      | -1.5                            | -1.214056929              |
| Wheat           | Winter      | 0                                  | 0                | -1.9                            | 0                         |
|                 | All         | 10                                 | 4.04685643       | -1.9                            | -7.689027217              |
| Forage          | <i>Hay*</i> | 15                                 | 6.070284645      | -1.4                            | -8.498398503              |
| Soybeans        |             | 60                                 | 24.28113858      | -1.4                            | -33.99359401              |
| Oats            |             | 1                                  | 0.404685643      | -1.4                            | -0.5665599                |
| <i>Tobacco*</i> |             | 1                                  | 0.404685643      | -1.4                            | -0.5665599                |
| Tomatos         |             | 1                                  | 0.404685643      | -1.4                            | -0.5665599                |
| Grass           |             | 20                                 | 8.09371286       | -1.5                            | -12.14056929              |
| Fallow          |             | 30                                 | 12.14056929      | -0.14                           | -1.699679701              |
| SUM             |             | 185                                | 74.86684396      |                                 |                           |

# IPCC (2006) Soil N Emission Estimation

$$N_2O_{Direct-N} = N_2O-N_{N\ inputs} + N_2O-N_{OS} + N_2O-N_{PRP}$$

$$N_2O-N_{N\ inputs} = (F_{SN} + F_{ON} + F_{CR} + F_{SOM}) * EF_1 + (F_{SN} + F_{ON} + F_{CR} + F_{SOM}) * EF_{IFR}$$

$$N_2O-N_{os} = \sum (F_{OS,land,temp} * EF_{2\ land,temp})$$

$$N_2O-N_{PRP} = \sum (F_{PRP} * EF_{3PRP})$$

\*summing up (above) for all land categories, nutrient quality, and temperature

$N_2O_{Direct-N}$  = annual direct  $N_2O-N$  emissions produced from managed soils, kg  $N_2O-N$  per year

*estimated from input/data below*

$N_2O-N_{N\ inputs}$  = annual direct  $N_2O-N$  emissions from N input to managed soils, kg  $N_2O-N$  per year

*estimated from input/data below*

$N_2O-N_{OS}$  = annual direct  $N_2O-N$  emissions from managed organic soils (kg  $N_2O-N$  per year)

*estimated from input/data below*

$N_2O-N_{PRP}$  = annual direct  $N_2O-N$  emissions from urine and dung inputs to grazed soils (kg  $N_2O-N$  per year)

*estimated from input/data below*

$F_{SN}$  = annual amount of **synthetic** fertilizer applied to soils (kg N per year) **E**

? can assume 150lb/acre for corn etc. (based on yield data from NASS)

$F_{ON}$  = annual amount of animal manure, compost... applied (kg N per year) **E**

? can estimate on a case by case basis (as proportion of manure produced ?)

$F_{CR}$  = annual amount of N in crop residues (above & below ground) returned to soils (kg N per year)

?

$F_{SOM}$  = annual amount of N in mineral soils that is mineralized, is association with loss of soil C from soil organic matter as a result of changes to land use or management (kg N per year)

?

$F_{OS}$  = annual area of managed/drained **organic** soils (ha)

75 (average size of Ohio farm)

$F_{PRP}$  = annual amount of urine and dung N deposited by grazing animals on pasture, range and paddock (kg N per year) **E**

? can estimate by taking proportion of total produced assumed to be left outside

$EF_1$  = is the emission factor for  $N_2O$  emissions from N inputs, kg  $N_2O-N$  per kg N input

0.001 (IPCC default)

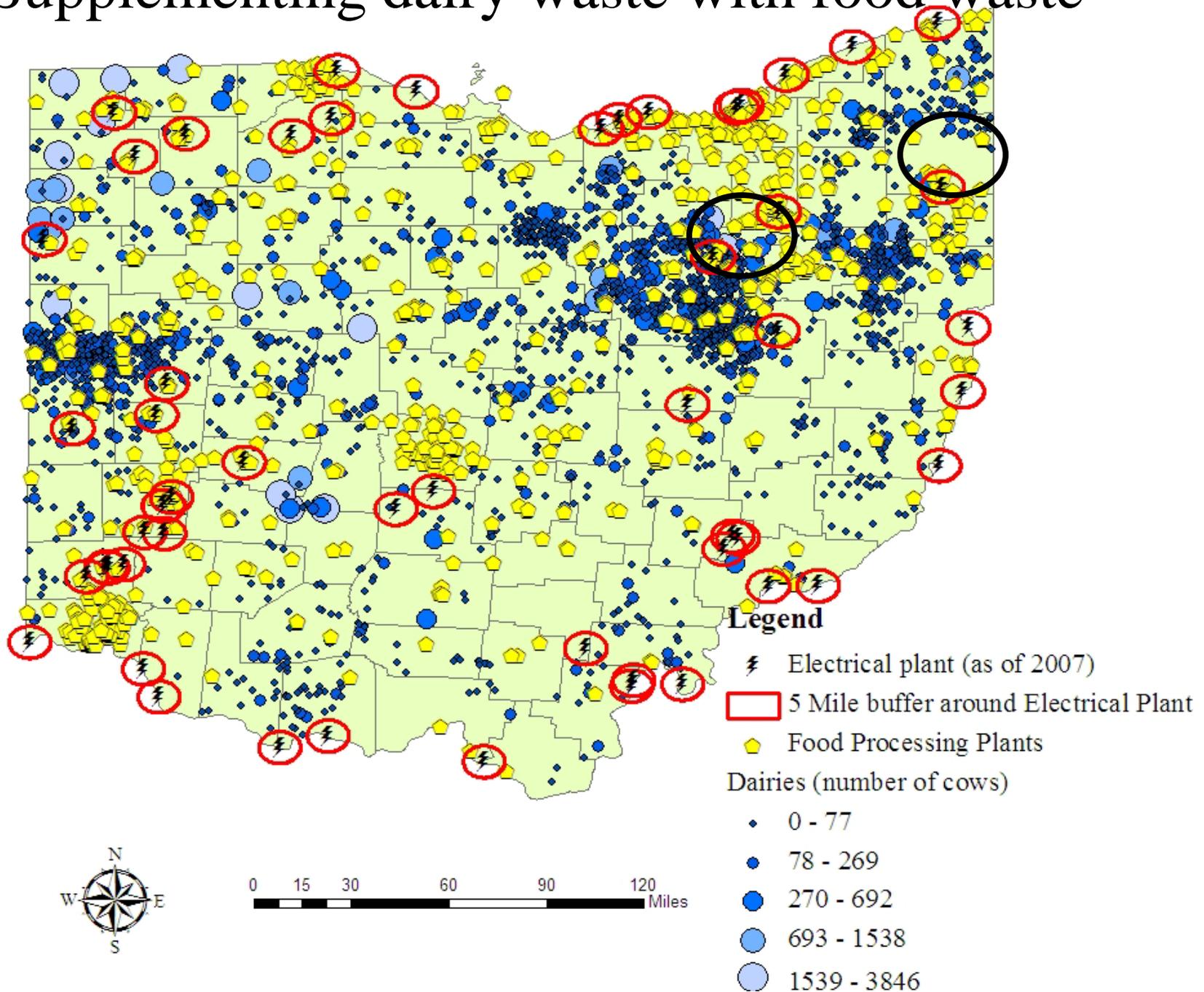
$EF_2$  = is the emission factor for  $N_2O$  emissions from drained/managed **organic** soils, kg  $N_2O-N$  per kg N input

8 (IPCC default)

$EF_{3PRP}$  = emission factor for urine and dung N deposited on pasture, range and paddock by grazing animals, kg  $N_2O-N$  per kg N input

0.02 (IPCC default)

# Supplementing dairy waste with food waste



# Energy & Emission Generation

Cuellar and Webber (2008)

**Energy: 1 m<sup>3</sup> biogas → 36 MJ/m<sup>3</sup> \* 1 kWh/3.6 MJ \* 0.60 \* 0.25 = 1.5 kWh.**

The total amount of carbon dioxide produced from one cubic meter of biogas can be determined by the following equation:

$$\text{kg CO}_2 \text{ (total)} = 1 \text{ m}^3 \text{ biogas} * (\text{X}\% \text{CH}_4 * 0.65 \text{ kg/m}^3 * 2.75 + 1.8 \text{ kg/m}^3 (1 - \text{X}\% \text{CH}_4)),$$

where 0.65 kg/m<sup>3</sup> is the density of methane, and 1.8 kg/m<sup>3</sup> is the density of carbon dioxide. The methane component of the equation is multiplied by 2.75 because this is the ratio of the mole weight of carbon dioxide to methane (2.75 kg of CO<sub>2</sub> is produced from the combustion of 1 kg of CH<sub>4</sub>).

# Energy & Emission Generation: Efficiency/Conversion Scenarios

| Scenario | Methane content & conversion efficiency | Conversion efficiency       | kg CO <sub>2</sub> produced per kWh | Total kWh produced (daily) | Homes serviced |
|----------|---|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------|
|          |   | Less efficient than coal... |                                     |                            |                |
| <b>A</b> | <b>60%</b>                              | <b>25%</b>                  | <b>1.13</b>                         | <b>107</b>                 | <b>3.5</b>     |
| B        | 60%                                     | 40%                         | 0.71                                | 200                        | 6.5            |
| C        | 70%                                     | 40%                         | 0.64                                | 171                        | 5.6            |

Table 4.12 Emission factors & potential biogas generated electricity yield scenarios at the farm level (for a 183 animal operation), assuming all waste material was collected.