

Sharing farm data with Cornell University:
Statement of nondisclosure and Freedom of Information Law requests.

Nutrient Management Spear Program and PRO-DAIRY (NMSP and PD)

With more on-farm data being collected, there is an important opportunity for farmer collaboration with the NMSP and PD to support efforts to improve crop yields and nutrient management. The NMSP and PD have been working with data provided by many farms, including yield monitor data and nutrient mass balance information.

It is our policy to not identify farm names nor share individual farm data in any research or extension documents, reports, articles or presentations without permission from the individual farm. Data from individual farms are aggregated in such a way that protects farm identity while being used to improve nutrient management.

The New York Court of Appeals has held that documents concerning Cornell's educational policies and activities, such as research—are excluded from the scope of the New York State Freedom of Information Law (FOIL).