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There are several different methods to dispose of manure from a feedlot. Stockpiling manure allows yards to be cleaned as needed without spreading it, and is less likely to pollute the local environment. However, the usefulness of stockpiled manure diminishes at as much as 40% of total manure nitrogen can be lost. In addition, years with heavy precipitation can also lead to losses of potassium and sodium can be lost. Also, the time and management of these piles might offset costs saved by not using mechanical spreading equipment.