

# IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY

Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering

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### Education

Ph.D. Agricultural Engineering, 2012  
Iowa State University

M.S. Agricultural Engineering, 2008  
Iowa State University

B.S. Mechanical Engineering, 2006  
University of Wisconsin – Platteville

### Honors and Awards

Iowa Section ASABE Outstanding Ph. D.  
Student in Agricultural Engineering (2010)

ISU Teaching Excellence Award (2009)

Iowa Section ASABE Outstanding MS  
Degree Student in Agricultural Engineering  
(2009)

Alpha Epsilon (2009)

Tau Beta Pi (2004)

### Recent Publications

Andersen, D.S., R.T. Burns, L.B. Moody,  
M.J. Helmers. 2011. Using total solids  
concentration to estimate nutrient content  
of feedlot runoff effluent from solids  
settling basins, vegetative infiltration  
basins, and vegetative treatment areas.  
*Applied Engineering in Agriculture* 27(5):  
803-810.

Pepple, L.M., D.S. Andersen, R.T. Burns,  
and L.B. Moody. 2011. Physical and  
chemical properties of runoff effluent from  
open beef feedlot in Iowa. *Transactions of  
the ASABE* 54(3): 1079-1084.

Andersen, D.S, R.T. Burns, L.B. Moody,  
M.J. Helmers, R. Horton, and C. Pederson.  
2010. The use of the Soil-Plant-Air-Water  
Model to predict the hydraulic performance  
of vegetative treatment areas for  
controlling open lot runoff. *Transactions of  
the ASABE* 53(1): 207-217.

Andersen, D.S, R.T. Burns, L.B. Moody,  
M.J. Helmers, and R. Horton. 2010.  
Comparison of the Iowa State University-  
Effluent Limitation Guidelines Model with  
the Soil-Plant-Air-Water Model to evaluate  
Holding Basin Performance. *Transactions  
of the ASABE* 53(2): 537-543.

## Research

Dr. Andersen's research interests are in the areas of manure management and water quality. Specifically the areas of manure treatment and nutrient management planning, field and farm scale soil and water quality monitoring and modeling, and economic evaluations of agricultural waste management alternatives. As part of his manure treatment efforts he works on anaerobic digestion systems, nutrient separation and recovery, and integration of physical, chemical, and biological waste treatment methods in agricultural systems. His work has also provided solid experiences in monitoring aspects of the carbon, nitrogen, and phosphorus cycles in agroecosystems, quantifying and mitigating nutrient transport from agriculture, and evaluate the impact of manure application on soil physical and chemical properties. Much of his current work focuses on anaerobic digestion, nutrient management and conservation, and the control of feedlot runoff.



## Extension

Dr. Andersen's extension program focuses on the areas of manure treatment, management, and utilization. He believes in putting the land-grant mission to work by closely linking his research program to his outreach efforts, striving to demonstrate viable solutions and get them in the hands of those who need them.

## Goal

The goal of Dr. Andersen's research and extension work at Iowa State University is to improve soil, water, and air quality by promoting the development and implementation of agricultural waste management systems that are environmentally sustainable, economically feasible, and socially acceptable through the use of extension programming, state-wide training, and a mix of fundamental and applied research.