

**266.46 Information reporting.**

1. In accordance with [section 266.42](#), Iowa state university of science and technology is the custodian of all information including but not limited to reports and records obtained, submitted, and maintained in connection with the research projects conducted on the site of a livestock operation as provided in [this subchapter](#), and all information submitted by or gathered from or deduced from a livestock producer or livestock operation pursuant to a livestock odor mitigation evaluation under [section 266.49](#) or [section 459.303, subsection 3](#). The public shall have a right to examine and copy the information as provided in [chapter 22](#), subject to the exceptions of [section 22.7](#).

2. Notwithstanding [subsection 1](#), the university or an agent or employee of the university shall not release the name or location, or any other information sufficient to identify the name or location of any livestock producer or livestock operation participating in a research project or participating in a livestock odor mitigation evaluation pursuant to [section 266.49](#) or [section 459.303, subsection 3](#), and such information shall not be subject to release pursuant to subpoena or discovery in any civil proceeding, unless such confidentiality is waived in writing by the livestock producer. In addition, the university or an employee or agent of the university shall release no other information submitted by or gathered from or deduced from a livestock producer or livestock operation pursuant to a livestock odor mitigation evaluation under [section 266.49](#) or [section 459.303, subsection 3](#), unless such information is used in a research project, which in turn shall not occur without the written consent of the livestock producer.

3. Any information provided by, gathered from, or deduced from a livestock producer or livestock operation in connection with a research project or odor mitigation evaluation that is in the possession of the livestock producer or livestock operation shall not be subject to subpoena or discovery in any civil action against the producer.

[2008 Acts, ch 1174, §7, 13; 2017 Acts, ch 54, §76; 2019 Acts, ch 59, §77](#)

Referred to in [§266.47](#)