**Definition**

A roofs and covers system consists of a rigid, semi-rigid, or flexible manufactured membrane, or roof structure placed over a waste management facility or an agro-chemical handling facility.

**Conditions:**

- Roofs and covers are used to exclude rain from animal feeding, handling, storage, composting, transfer or treatment areas, or from waste, agrochemical, or dead animal handling or storage areas.
- Roofs and covers can also be used to exclude rain from wastewater treatment facilities.

**Practice Information**

Roofs and covers are a component of an agricultural waste management system. This practice can be used to divert clean water from animal handling areas or waste storage structures.

This practice is used to prevent the escape of gases from waste facilities and to reduce the effects of greenhouse gases, improve air quality and reduce noxious odors.
Associated Practices

Roofs and Covers (367) are commonly applied with other waste management or treatment structures such as Waste Treatment Lagoon (359), Waste Storage Facility (313), Composting Facility (317), Agrichemical Handling Facility (309), or On-Farm Secondary Containment Facility (319).

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