



TECH NICKEL TIPS

HOG BARN COMMUNICATION

A dry-erasable white board can help get chores done more efficiently, says Paul Vielfaure, a former member of the VIDO Swine Technical Group. Vielfaure says the boards, often used in business offices and conference rooms and available from most stationery stores, are especially useful in large operations where more than one person may be doing chores at the same time. “Writing the important things that are happening in the area of the barn on the board”, says Vielfaure, “allows another person to come into the barn, look at the information, and know immediately what area needs more attention.”

Vielfaure, who is a partner in a large family operation near La Broquerie, Manitoba, that uses the boards, says it is important that each farm develops its own system of communicating key information, and that the board be hung in a central location so the next person coming to do chores knows what is going on in that area of the barn at that time.

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