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Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations (CAFOs) on VA's Eastern Shore

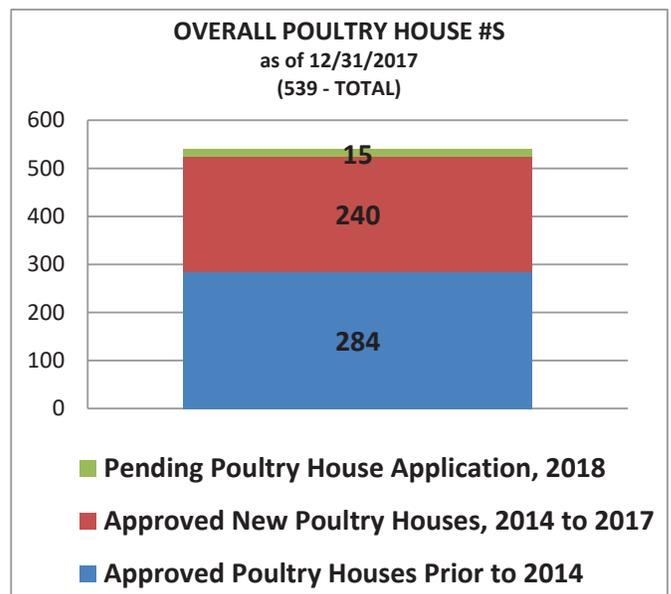
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New 16-house CAFO on Route 13 north of Parksley

Some Interesting Numbers

Below is a summary of key information about CAFOs in Accomack County. Further details, as indicated by the footnote numbers, can be found on the CBES website (*ShoreLine* tab, *ShoreFacts* Sources): www.cbes.org.



Numbers of Houses and Their Impact

- **539 CAFOs overall**, with an additional 38 poultry houses projected from 2018 to 2023, for a total of 577 (although some older houses may be out of operation)¹
- **86.9 million chickens a year** (based on 255 new CAFOs and 137 older CAFOs),² which equates to:
 - 14.6% of the 595 million chickens grown on the Delmarva peninsula on 8.25% of Delmarva land mass³
 - 173.8 million pounds of manure, or one manure application for 58,000 to 87,000 acres⁴
 - 15,000 live-haul truckloads⁵
 - 2.0 to 3.1 million gallons a day of groundwater usage⁶
 - 572 million pounds of ammonia emissions each year⁷

Poultry House Location and Status - 12/31/2017

