

1.2 Land Use Risk Assessment

Describe how the land you're farming on and the land surrounding you is being used currently and historically. Include any hazards you identify, describe what exists to reduce risk and any corrective actions you need to take.

Year: Land Use Questions	Describe what's happening on your farm. What already exists to reduce risk?	Identify Hazards that require a corrective action.	Describe Corrective Actions Taken & Date.
Is your farm property leased or do you own it? Are you sharing the space with other growers?			
What was your land used for before you starting farming on it?			
What else do you currently use your land for besides farming produce?			
Describe the human waste systems (septic, leach field, porta-potties, composting toilets) on your farm, where they are located and how you handle safe disposal of human waste.			
Describe if weather events or neighboring activities have caused runoff and/or flooding on your property. Did you test your soil for pathogen or chemical contamination?			

Where do you store things like old machinery, fuel tanks, vehicles, building or fencing supplies, hardware and other materials?			
Describe any physical hazards on the farm and what strategies you use to manage them (e.g. broken glass, pieces of metal, rusty nails, rocks, etc.).			
What is the history of the land surrounding your farm?			
What are the current uses for the land that surrounds your farm?			
Where are your neighbor's septic and leach fields, and how far are they from your growing area?			
Describe any other sources of contamination (mining, waste disposal, construction, industrial use, fire etc.) on your farm or neighboring land that may have affected your farm.			
List here any SOPs or Records you already use related to Land Use.			
You can find tips and resources in the ASP Workbook, and templates in the Produce Safety Worksheets (PSW), and at newmexicogrown.org.	SECTION 1.1: In the workbook, go to the PSW for graph paper to draw a farm map, or use a Google Earth Image. Resource A: Instructions for Creating a Map Using Google Earth (ASP Workbook Appendix)		