



**Minnesota Pollution  
Control Agency**

520 Lafayette Road North  
St. Paul, MN 55155-4194

# Public Notice of Intent to Modify

Coverage under the State of Minnesota  
General Livestock Production Permit NPDES/SDS Permit  
for a Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation  
Permit Number MNG440000

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## Facility Specific Information

**Public comment period begins:** May 11, 2012

**Public comment period ends:** June 11, 2012

**Current coverage issued:** November 14, 2011

**Current permit expiration:** January 31, 2016

**Name and address of Permittee:**

Jennie-O Turkey Store Inc.  
2505 Willmar Avenue Southwest  
Willmar, Minnesota 56201

**Facility name and location:**

Jennie-O Turkey Store – Camp Lake  
1090 65th Street Northeast  
Benson, Minnesota 56215  
SE ¼, Section 2, T122N, R38W  
Camp Lake Township, Swift County, Minnesota

Jennie-O Turkey Store – Morning Star  
6623 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue West  
Willmar, Minnesota 56201  
NE ¼, Section 13, T119N, R36W  
St. Johns Township, Kandiyohi County, Minnesota

Jennie-O Turkey Store – Olsen North  
32253 245th Avenue  
Starbuck, Minnesota 56381  
NW ¼, Section 27, T122N, R38W  
Rolling Forks Township, Pope County, Minnesota

Jennie-O Turkey Store – Olsen South  
870 60th Street Northeast  
Benson, Minnesota 56215  
SW ¼, Section 9, T122N, R38W  
Camp Lake Township, Swift County, Minnesota

**Watershed/Basin:** Chippewa River & Yellow Medicine River

**Description of permitted facility:**

The applicant has requested modification of an existing multi-site permit that currently provides coverage to the four individual farms indicated above. All farms consist of total confinement barns with manure (litter) storage within the barn on an impervious floor. Manure is removed from the barns periodically and transferred to stockpiles within the crop fields intended for utilization of the nutrients. Specific changes to each of the four farms are identified below:

**Camp Lake Farm**

No modification is proposed at this farm and animal numbers will remain unchanged at 54,944 turkeys over 5 lbs (989 animal units (AU)).

**Morning Star Farm**

No construction is proposed for this farm. The applicant is proposing to house an additional 14,000 turkeys under 5 lbs (70 AU) in the existing buildings, which will bring the total number of turkeys at this farm to 90,000 turkeys under 5 lbs (450 AU).

**Olsen North Farm**

No modification is proposed at this farm and animal numbers will remain unchanged at 54,944 turkeys over 5 lbs (989 AU). Note that construction of a new total confinement barn to replace two existing total confinement barns was authorized by a previous permit modification but this construction has yet to occur.

**Olsen South Farm**

No modification is proposed at this farm and animal numbers will remain unchanged at 54,944 turkeys over 5 lbs (989 AU).

**Preliminary Determination to Issue Coverage**

The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) Commissioner has made a preliminary determination to modify coverage to this facility until the expiration of the General Livestock Production Permit on January 31, 2016.

If you have questions about the Commissioner's preliminary determination, please contact the staff person listed at the end of this notice.

A General Livestock Production Permit can be viewed at <http://www.pca.state.mn.us/hot/feedlot-forms.html#2011permit>.

**Written Comments**

You may submit written comments on the conditions of the Commissioner's preliminary determination.

**Written comments must include the following:**

1. A statement of your interest in the permit application or the preliminary determination.
2. A statement of the action you wish the MPCA to take.
3. The reasons supporting your position, stated with sufficient specificity as to allow the Commissioner to investigate the merits of your position.

**Petition for Public Informational Meeting**

You also may request that the MPCA Commissioner hold a public informational meeting. A public informational meeting is an informal meeting that the MPCA may hold to solicit public comment and statements on matters before the MPCA, and to help clarify and resolve issues.

**A petition requesting a public informational meeting must include the following information:**

1. A statement identifying the matter of concern.
2. The information required under items 1 through 3 of "Written Comments," identified above.
3. A statement of the reasons the MPCA should hold a public informational meeting.
4. The issues that you would like the MPCA to address at the public informational meeting.

**Petition for Contested Case Hearing**

You also may submit a petition for a contested case hearing. A contested case hearing is a formal evidentiary hearing before an administrative law judge. In accordance with Minn. R. 7000.1900, the MPCA will grant a petition to hold a contested case hearing if it finds that: (1) there is a material issue of fact in dispute concerning the application; (2) the MPCA has the jurisdiction to make a determination on the disputed material issue of fact; and (3) there is a reasonable basis underlying the disputed material issue of fact or facts such that the holding of the contested case hearing would allow the introduction of information that would aid the MPCA in resolving the disputed facts in making a final decision on the preliminary determination. A material issue of fact means a fact question, as distinguished from a policy question, whose resolution could have a direct bearing on a final MPCA decision.

**A petition for a contested case hearing must include the following information:**

1. A statement of reasons or proposed findings supporting the MPCA decision to hold a contested case hearing according to the criteria in Minn. R. 7000.1900, as discussed above.
2. A statement of the issues proposed to be addressed by a contested case hearing and the specific relief requested or resolution of the matter.

**In addition and to the extent known, a petition for a contested case hearing should also include the following information:**

1. A proposed list of prospective witnesses to be called, including experts, with a brief description of proposed testimony or summary of evidence to be presented at a contested case hearing.
2. A proposed list of publications, references, or studies to be introduced and relied upon at a contested case hearing.
3. An estimate of time required for you to present the matter at a contested case hearing.

**MPCA Decision**

You may submit a petition to the Commissioner requesting that the MPCA Citizens' Board (Board) consider the preliminary determination. To be considered timely, the petition must be received by the MPCA by 4:30 p.m. on the date the public comment period ends, identified on page 1 of this notice. Under the provisions of Minn. Stat. § 116.02, subd. 6(4), the decision whether to issue the permit coverage and, if so, under what terms will be presented to the Board for decision if: (1) the Commissioner grants the petition requesting the matter be presented to the Board; (2) one or more Board members request to hear the matter before the time the Commissioner makes a final decision on permit coverage; or (3) a timely request for a contested case hearing is pending. You may participate in the activities of the Board as provided in Minn. R. 7000.0650.

The written comments, requests, and petitions submitted on or before the last day of the public comment period will be considered in the final decision on permit coverage. If the MPCA does not receive written comments, requests, or petitions during the public comment period, the MPCA staff as authorized by the Board, will make the final decision on permit coverage.

**Comments, petitions, and/or requests must be submitted in writing on or before the end date of the public comment period identified on page 1 of this notice to:**

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Minnesota Pollution Control Agency  
1601 East Highway 12, Suite 1  
Willmar Minnesota 56201  
320-441-6971 or [george.schwint@state.mn.us](mailto:george.schwint@state.mn.us)