Public Notice of Intent to Issue

Coverage under the State of Minnesota
General Livestock Production Permit NPDES Permit
for a Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation
Permit Number MNG440341

Facility Specific Information

Public comment period begins: December 17, 2015
Public comment period ends: 4:30 p.m. on January 19, 2016

Current permit issued (if applicable): February 1, 2011
Current permit expiration date (if applicable): January 31, 2016

Name and address of Permittee:
Glen Kesteloot
3516 US Highway 59
Marshall, Minnesota 56258

Loren Kesteloot
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Facility name and location:
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Marshall, Minnesota 56258
SW¼ of the SE¼ of Section 28
Township 113 North, Range 41 West
Vallers Township, Lyon County

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Recent permits are available on the MPCA General Permit webpage at, http://www.pca.state.mn.us/index.php/topics/feedlots/index.html, or at the MPCA office address listed under the MPCA contact person. The MPCA will mail or e-mail a copy of the Permit upon request.

Comments, petitions, and other requests must be received at the MPCA in writing on or before the public comment period end date and time identified above.

Watershed: Redwood River
Receiving Water: Minnesota River

Description of Permitted Facility/Activity

The facility is currently permitted for 1,780 head of beef finishing cattle for a total of 1,780 animal units housed in on existing total confinement barn, five existing partial confinement barns and five existing open lots with runoff controls. Manure generated at the facility is stored as manure packs within the animal confinement areas and in temporary manure stockpiles located in crop fields. Runoff generated as the result of precipitation on the open lots is collected and managed in an existing earthen lined basin. Runoff generated as the result of precipitation on the feed storage pads is collected and treated in a vegetated infiltration area. This will be an issuance of the 2016 NPDES General Permit.

The facility will not increase animal unit capacity.

The preliminary determinations to issue this General Permit is tentative.

Procedure for public participation

As stated in Minn. R. chs. 7000 and 7001, there are three formal procedures for public participation in the MPCA's consideration of the permit application. Interested persons may:

(1) Submit written comments on the draft permit.
(2) Petition the MPCA to hold a public informational meeting.
(3) Petition the MPCA to hold a contested case hearing.
Submitting written comments
Persons who submit comments or petitions to the MPCA through the mail or e-mail must state:

(1) Your interest in the permit application or the draft permit.
(2) The action you wish the MPCA to take, including specific references to the section of the draft permit you believe should be changed.
(3) The reasons supporting your position, stated with sufficient specificity as to allow the MPCA to investigate the merits of the position.

Public information meeting
A public informational meeting is an informal meeting during which interested persons can ask questions concerning the proposed facility. MPCA staff will be present to provide information. If an interested person would like the MPCA to hold a public informational meeting, the person should include all information identified above and in addition include a statement of the reasons the person desires the MPCA to hold a public informational meeting and the issues that the person would like the agency to address at the public informational meeting.

Contested case hearing
A contested case hearing is a formal proceeding before an administrative law judge empowered to advise the MPCA regarding issues of fact. As described in Minn. R. 7000.1800, persons who submit petitions for a contested case hearing must also state the issues they propose to address in a contested case hearing, the specific relief requested or resolution of the matter, and the reasons (which may be in the form of proposed findings) supporting an MPCA decision to hold a contested case hearing. Failure to comply with these rules exactly may result in a denial of the request. To the extent known, the petitioner may also submit a list of prospective witnesses to be called at a hearing, a proposed list of publications, references, or studies to be introduced at a hearing and the approximate time required for the petitioner to present the matter at a hearing. The decision whether to hold a contested case hearing will be made under Minn. R. 7000.1900.