

July 5, 2022

Nikki Anderson, Petitioners' Representative
17676 Raymond Avenue
Richmond, MN 56368

Arnold Gruenes, Twin Spruce Farms
17565 County Road 43
Richmond, MN 56368

RE: Petition for Environmental Assessment Worksheet on the proposed Twin Spruce Farms Feedlot Expansion North Brown's Lake Project (AKA: Twin Spruce Farms; AKA: North Brown's Lake Project)
Eden Lake Township, Stearns County

Dear Nikki Anderson and Arnold Gruenes:

As the Environmental Quality Board (EQB) designated Responsible Governmental Unit (RGU), the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) is hereby notifying EQB, the Petitioner's Representative, Twin Spruce Farm (Proposer), and Stearns County that at this time the MPCA will not act on the proposed Twin Spruce Farm Feedlot Expansion petition.

On June 30, 2022, the Proposer withdrew their NPDES Feedlot Permit application to the MPCA, thus, there is no active project on which to complete any environmental review at this time.

The petition will remain in effect for a period of one year as specified in Minn. R. 4410.1100, subp. 9. If proponents of the Project apply to the MPCA for permit coverage within the year, the MPCA will determine whether an Environmental Assessment Worksheet must be prepared based on the conditions and criteria found in Minn. Stat. ch. 116(D) and Minn. R. ch. 4410.

If you have questions about this letter, please contact Kirsten Barta of the Environmental Review Unit at 651-757-2827 or Kirsten.barta@state.mn.us.

Sincerely,

Dan R. Card, P.E.

This document has been electronically signed.

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