

General information

Public comment period begins: February 5, 2018

Public comment period ends: 4:30 p.m. on March 7, 2018

Current permit issued: August 18, 2017

Current permit expiration date: January 31, 2021

The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) Commissioner has made a preliminary determination to modify this permit for a term that remains unchanged.

Name and Address of Permittee:	Facility Name and Location:	MPCA Contact Person:
David Dahl 2667 351 st Ave Dawson, MN 56232	David Dahl Farm 3472 260 th St Dawson, MN 56232 Lac Qui Parle County T118N, R42W, Section 8	Klayton VanOverbeke Watershed Division Minnesota Pollution Control Agency 504 Fairgrounds Road, Suite 200 Marshall, MN 56258 Phone: 507-476-4276 Email: klayton.vanoverbeke@state.mn.us File Manager Phone: 651-757-2728 or 1-844-828-0942

Watershed: Lac Qui Parle River

Description of David Dahl Farm

This is a public notice of Intent to modify coverage under the State of Minnesota General Animal Feedlot National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit. A copy of this General permit is available for review on the MPCA webpage <https://www.pca.state.mn.us/quick-links/feedlot-program> or at the MPCA office address listed under the MPCA contact person. A copy of the permit application is also available for review at the same MPCA office. The MPCA will mail or email a copy of the permit and permit application 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.

The facility is currently permitted for 2,200 head of swine under 55 pounds (110 Animal Units(AU)) and 4,400 head of swine between 55 and 300 pounds (1320 AU), for a total of 1430 AU housed in four existing total confinement barns. The facility has proposed to expand by eliminating the swine under 55 pounds and converting the nursery barn into a finishing barn, capable of holding 950 head of swine between 55 and 300 pounds.

Following the proposed expansion, the facility will be permitted for 5,350 head of swine between 55 and 300 pounds for a total of 1,605 AU to be housed in four existing total confinement barns. Manure generated at the facility will be stored in poured concrete pits located beneath the total confinement barns. This will be a modification of the facility's existing permit and manure management plan that includes the proposed changes.

The facility has proposed to increase the permitted capacity by 175 AU.

The preliminary determination to modify 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 this matter. Interested persons may:

- (1) Submit written comments on the preliminary determination to modify coverage under a general permit, the application materials, or draft permit.
- (2) Petition the MPCA to hold a public informational meeting.
- (3) Petition the MPCA to hold a contested case hearing.

Only the portions of the permit coverage that are proposed to be modified are open for comment and petition.

Submitting written comments

To submit comments or petitions to the MPCA through the mail or email, you must state:

- (1) Your interest in the preliminary determination to modify coverage under the general permit, the application materials, or the draft permit.
- (2) The action you wish the MPCA to take, including specific references to the application materials or 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 informational 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.