

General information

Public comment period begins: October 13, 2020
Public comment period ends: November 12, 2020 (4:30 p.m.)
Current permit issued: August 31, 2016
Current permit expiration date: May 31, 2025

The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) Commissioner has made a preliminary determination to modify this permit for a term of approximately five years.

Name and address of Permittee:

Paul Hintze
74075 400th Ave.
Lakefield, MN, 56150

Facility name and location:

Farm 97 - Hintze
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Jackson County
T101N, R37W, Section 9

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Watershed: Little Sioux River

Description of Paul Hintze Farm Site 097

This is a public notice to modify a manure management plan for an Animal Feedlot that currently has coverage under the State of Minnesota General Animal Feedlot State Disposal System (SDS) Permit. A copy of the manure management plan modification as well as any additional materials relating to the issuance of this permit are available for inspection by appointment at any MPCA office (<https://www.pca.state.mn.us/about-mpca/mpca-offices>) between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. The MPCA will mail or email a copy of the General 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.

The facility is currently permitted for 4,400 head of swine between 55 and 300 pounds for a total of 1,320 animal units housed in four total confinement barns. Manure generated at the facility is stored in poured concrete pits located beneath the barns. This will be an issuance to modify the current SDS General Permit.

The permittee has proposed to modify the previously approved MMP by including additional land application acres. The new land application acres are located in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of section 4, Sioux Valley Township, Jackson County, Minnesota. The field being added covers approximately 150 acres to be used for crop production and land application of manure.

The proposed modification will not increase animal unit or manure storage capacity of the facility.

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

- (1) Submit written comments on the permit application and the preliminary determination to issue coverage under a general 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 permit application and the preliminary determination to issue coverage under a general permit.
- (2) The action you wish the MPCA to take, including specific references to the application materials 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.