From: <u>CPF Office</u>
To: <u>Laura Friend</u>

Subject: Alberta Heifer Raising Facility

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Hello Laura Friend,

Re: ALBERTA FEEDLOT

We are from Corner's Pride Farms and we would like to respond to some of the comments about the heifer raising facility we are proposing to build in Raymond, Alberta. Some of the concerns seem to be around timelines. We worked with the NRCB and with Joe and Karina and followed the timelines that were assigned to us to follow. We are not from that area and we're not familiar with the process of the NRCB, we feel Joe and Karina did a good job helping us through the process of getting the approval done. Some comments were related to the land being flooded during heavy rain events, we have over the last many years done a lot of work with grading and ditching to improve the drainage of the land, with the new work that Raymond Irrigation District is doing they will be supplying water through underground lines instead of using the drainage/irrigation canal. We feel this will be a big improvement in heavy rain events as we go forward because the canal can be used 100% for drainage instead of it being backed up for irrigation, which should allow it to handle more volume and not back up into the irrigated fields. This work will be done before we have cattle there. We feel we have been there for eight years and done a lot of work to improve the land to make a lot of the land farm-able that wasn't being used for many years before we came, so we feel we understand how to handle nutrient management from cattle and do a good job. The concerns about truck traffic in the area will be less traffic than current as we will be leaving the feed there to feed the cattle and not hauling all the loads of hay to British Columbia. We would be hauling in about two cattle loads in and out per month. Thanks for the opportunity to respond to some of the comments.

Yours truly,

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