

October 2, 2019

To: Landowner or Resident

Re: Application LA19036 - Courtesy Notice

Arie & Willemina Muilwijk

NE 10-9-27 W4M

The Natural Resources Conservation Board (NRCB) has received an application from Arie & Willemina Muilwijk to expand a confined feeding operation at NE 10-9-27 W4M. The application is to convert the existing swine feedlot operation into a cattle feedlot by removing 100 swine and adding 3,000 beef feeder calves. The applicant is also proposing to construct a new covered shelter (82 m  $\times$  15 m), a new catch basin (25 m  $\times$  17 m  $\times$  1.5 m), permit two existing feedlot pens and permit the construction of a new third pen (bringing the total foot print to 92 m  $\times$  37 m).

This letter is being sent to all parties that own or reside on land within 1.0 miles of the proposed expansion. Under the *Agricultural Operation Practices Act* (AOPA), parties that are considered affected are entitled to receive notice of the application. The location of your land or residence is within the "affected party" distance from the proposed expansion, as set out by the act.

Under AOPA, the NRCB is responsible for regulating confined feeding operations (CFOs) in Alberta. The NRCB will conduct a detailed technical review of the application to ensure it meets the requirements of the act and regulations. The enclosed fact sheet provides information about how applications are reviewed.

If the approval officer issues a permit, Arie & Willemina Muilwijk will be required to comply with the permit's terms and conditions.

The application is available for viewing on line at <a href="www.nrcb.ca">www.nrcb.ca</a>, or at the Lethbridge office of the NRCB during regular business hours. The official notice of the application will be published in the October 9, 2019 issue of the The Macleod Gazette.

If you would like to submit a statement that expresses your concern or support for the application under AOPA, please send it to my attention at the address on this letter, or by email at <a href="mailto:adria.snowdon@nrcb.ca">adria.snowdon@nrcb.ca</a>. Your statement must be received in writing (by letter, fax or email) on or before November 8, 2019. Your statement must include:

- your name
- the legal land description of your residence and/or landholdings
- your contact information (mailing address, phone number, fax number, and email address) and
- an explanation of your support or concern (including any supporting documents)

Please be aware that your statement is a public document. A copy will be given to the applicant. If your statement includes concerns that do not fall under the authority of the NRCB, it may be forwarded to other agencies.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact me at 403-381-5208 or by email at <a href="mailto:adria.snowdon@nrcb.ca">adria.snowdon@nrcb.ca</a>.

Yours truly,

Adria Snowdon Approval Officer

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