

Technical Document FA24002



Part 2 — Technical Requirements

Application under the *Agricultural Operation Practices Act* for a confined feeding operation, manure collection area, and/or manure storage facility(ies)

NRCB USE ONLY	Application number	Legal land description
	FA24002	SEC 32-74-22 W5M
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval	<input type="checkbox"/> Registration	<input type="checkbox"/> Authorization
<input type="checkbox"/> Amendment		

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I, the applicant, or applicant's agent, have read and understand the statements above, and I acknowledge that the information provided in this application is true to the best of my knowledge.

November 18, 2024
Date of signing


Signature

Homeland Hutterian Brethren
Corporate name (if applicable)

Simeon Wipt
Print name

GENERAL INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS

Proposed facilities: list all proposed confined feeding operation facilities and their dimensions. Indicate whether any of the proposed facilities are additions to existing facilities. (attach additional pages if needed)	
Proposed facilities	Dimensions (m) (length, width, and depth)
layer barn #2 (old barn to be used for pullets)	332' x 65'
manure room (attached to barn)	60' x 50'
Egg gathering / utilities	130' x 60'
Bay for tractor	20' x 50'

Existing facilities: list ALL existing confined feeding operation facilities and their dimensions		
Existing facilities	Dimensions (m) (length, width, and depth)	NRCB USE ONLY
see attached		

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Dairy barn	129.235 x 37.795	
Beef feedlot pens	121.4 x 24.4	
Beef feedlot shelter	121.9 x 15.2	

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Applicant did not construct sheep or swine facilities. Old layer barn to be repurposed for pullets.	
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If a new facility is replacing an old facility, please explain what will happen to the old facility and when. ☐ N/A

Construction completion date for proposed facilities End 2026

Additional information

Livestock numbers: Complete only if livestock numbers are different from what was identified in the Part 1 application. Note: if livestock numbers increase in your Part 2 application, a new Part 1 application must be submitted which may result in a loss of priority for minimum distance separation (MDS).

Livestock category and type (Available in the Schedule 2 of the Part 2 Matters Regulation)	Permitted number	Proposed increase or decrease in number (if applicable)	Total
Remove swine and sheep from permit and increase chicken layers plus associated pullets to 45,000.			

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DECLARATION AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF APPLICANT CONCERNING WATER ACT LICENCE

issued by Alberta Environment and Protected Areas (EPA) for a confined feeding operation (CFO)

Date and sign one of the following four options

OPTION 1: Applying through the NRCB for both the AOPA permit and the Water Act licence

I **DO** want my water licence application coupled to my AOPA permit application.

Signed this ____ day of _____, 20____.

Signature of Applicant or Agent

OPTION 2: Processing the AOPA permit and Water Act licence separately

1. I (we) acknowledge that the CFO will need a new water licence from EPA under the *Water Act* for the development or activity proposed in this AOPA application.
2. I (we) request that the NRCB process the AOPA application **independently of** EPA's processing of the CFO's application for a water licence.
3. In making this request, I (we) recognize that, if this AOPA application is granted by the NRCB, the NRCB's decision will not be considered by EPA as improving or enhancing the CFO's eligibility for a water licence under the *Water Act*.
4. I (we) acknowledge that any construction or actions to populate the CFO with livestock pursuant to an AOPA permit in the absence of a *Water Act* licence will **not** be relevant to EPA's consideration of whether to grant the *Water Act* licence application.
5. I (we) acknowledge that any such construction or livestock populating will be at the CFO's sole risk if the *Water Act* licence application is denied or if the operation of the CFO is otherwise deemed to be in violation of the *Water Act*. This risk includes being required to depopulate the CFO and/or to cease further construction, or to remove "works" or "undertakings" (as defined in the *Water Act*).
6. **AS RELEVANT:** I (we) acknowledge that the CFO is located in the South Saskatchewan River Basin and that, pursuant to the *Bow, Oldman and South Saskatchewan River Basin Water Allocation Order* [Alta. Reg. 171/2007], this basin is currently closed to new surface water allocations.
7. **Provide:** Water licence application number(s) _____

Signed this ____ day of _____, 20____.

Signature of Applicant or Agent

OPTION 3: Additional water licence not required

1. I (we) declare that the CFO will not need a new licence from EPA under the *Water Act* for the development or activity proposed in this AOPA application.
2. **Provide:** Water license number(s) or water conveyance agreement details _____

Signed this 18 day of NOV, 20 24

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OPTION 4: Uncertain if *Water Act* licence is needed; acknowledgement of risk (for existing CFOs only)

1. At this time, I (we) do not know whether a new water licence is needed from EPA under the *Water Act* for the development or activity proposed in this AOPA application.
2. If a new *Water Act* licence is needed, I (we) request that the NRCB process the AOPA application **independently of** EPA's processing of the CFO's application for a water licence.
3. In making this request, I (we) recognize that, if this AOPA application is granted by the NRCB, the NRCB's decision will not be considered by EPA as improving or enhancing the CFO's eligibility for a water licence under the *Water Act*.
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5. I (we) acknowledge that any such construction or livestock increase will be at the CFO's sole risk if the *Water Act* licence application is denied or if the operation of the CFO is otherwise deemed to be in violation of the *Water Act*. This risk includes being required to depopulate the CFO and/or to cease further construction, or to remove "works" or "undertakings" (as defined in the *Water Act*).
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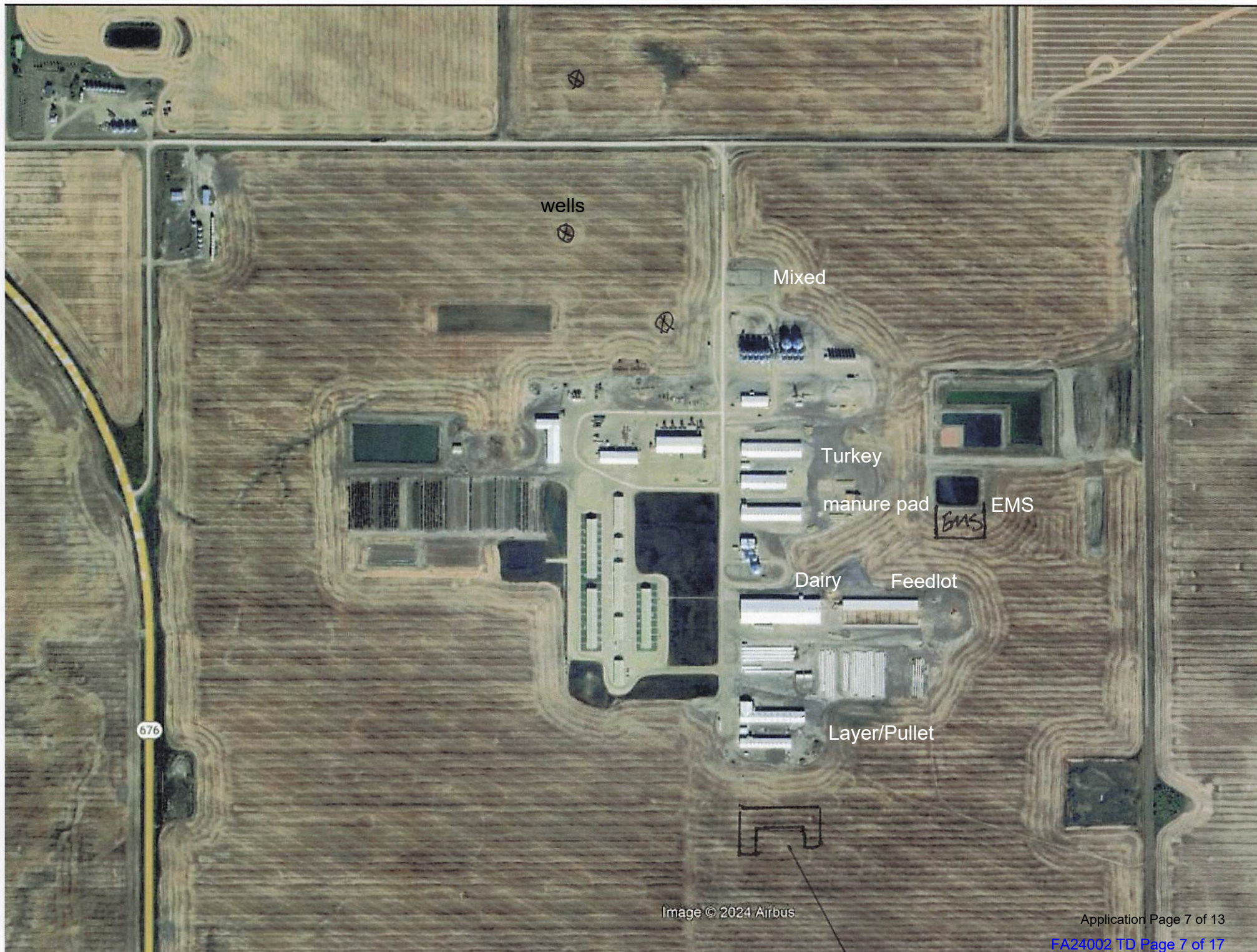


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New barn

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GENERAL ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION

(complete this section for the worst case of the existing facility which is the closest to water bodies or water wells and for each of the proposed facilities)

Facility description / name (as indicated on site plan)

Existing: Turkey Barn

Proposed 1: Layer Barn

Proposed 2: _____

Proposed 3: _____

Facility and environmental risk information		Facilities				NRCB USE ONLY	
		Existing	Proposed 1	Proposed 2	Proposed 3	Meets requirements	Comments
Flood plain information	What is the elevation of the floor of the lowest manure storage or collection facility above the 1:25 year flood plain or the highest known flood level?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> >1 m <input type="checkbox"/> ≤ 1 m	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> >1 m <input type="checkbox"/> ≤ 1 m	<input type="checkbox"/> >1 m <input type="checkbox"/> ≤ 1 m	<input type="checkbox"/> > 1 m <input type="checkbox"/> ≤ 1 m	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES with exemption	Not in flood plain
	How many springs are within 100 m of the manure storage facility or manure collection area?	0	0			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES with exemption	Confirmed
Surface water information	How many water wells are within 100 m of the manure storage facility or manure collection area?	0	0			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES with exemption	Confirmed
	What is the shortest distance from the manure collection or storage facility to a surface water body? (e.g., lake, creek, slough, seasonal)	200 M	200 M			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES with exemption	None near proposed
Groundwater information	What is the depth to the water table?		6.8			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES with exemption	Confirmed
	What is the depth to the groundwater resource/aquifer you draw water from?	45.72	45.72			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES with exemption	Meets requirements ID 397936

Additional information (attach supporting information, e.g. borehole logs, records, etc. you consider relevant to your application)

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ENVIRONMENTAL RISK SCREENING INFORMATION

ERST for **proposed** facilities

Facility	Groundwater score	Surface water score	File number
See Decision Summary FA24002 for explanation of risk from proposed facilities.			

ERST for **existing** facilities

Facility	Groundwater score	Surface water score	File number
Existing Facilities see Appendix in Approval FA24002	Low	Low	FA09003A

ERST related comments:

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WATER WELL AND SURFACE WATER INFORMATION

Well IDs: ID 1665907 ID1665908 ID 1668909
ID 397936

Surface water related concerns from directly affected parties or referral agencies: ☐ YES ☒ NO

Groundwater related concerns from directly affected parties or referral agencies: ☐ YES ☒ NO

Water wells ☒ N/A

If applicable, exemption for 100 m distance requirements applied: ☐ YES ☐ NO Condition required: ☐ YES ☐ NO

Surface water ☒ N/A

If applicable, exemption for 30 m distance requirements applied: ☐ YES ☐ NO Condition required: ☐ YES ☐ NO

Water Well Exemption Screening Tool ☒ N/A

Water Well ID	Preliminary Screening Score	Secondary Screening Score	Facility

Groundwater or surface water related comments:



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DISTANCE OF ANY MANURE STORAGE FACILITY (EXISTING OR PROPOSED) TO NEIGHBOURING RESIDENCES

Neighbour name(s)	Legal land description	Distance (m)	NRCB USE ONLY				
			Zoning (LUB) category	MDS category (1-4)	Distance (m)	Waiver attached (if required)	Meets regulations
① Cote, Norman Joseph	SW 4-75-22-W5	1035	Ag	Cat 1	1617 m		Y
② JLG Farms Ltd	NE 5-75-22-W5	1925	Ag	Cat 1	2113 m		Y
③ Cote, Ray - Irene	NE 36-74-23-W5	2635	Ag	Cat 1	2631 m		Y
④ Cote Farms Ltd	SE 36-74-23-W5	2635	Ag	Cat 1	2703 m		Y

LAND BASE FOR MANURE AND COMPOST APPLICATION (complete only if an increase in livestock or manure production will occur)

Name of land owner(s)*	Legal land description	Usable area** (ha)	Soil zone ***	NRCB USE ONLY	
				Usable area (ha)*	Agreement attached (if required)
Homeland Colony	32-74-22 W5M	854	grey wooded		
Applicant has provided adequate land base					
Total					

* If you are not the registered landowner, you must attach copies of land use agreements signed by all landowners.

** Available manure spreading area (excluding setback areas from residences, common bodies of water, water wells, etc. as identified in Agdex 096-5 Manure Spreading Regulations)

*** Brown, dark brown, black, grey wooded, or irrigated

Additional information (attach any additional information as required)

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MINIMUM DISTANCE SEPARATION

Methods used to determine distance (if applicable): Google earth

Margin of error (if applicable): N/A

Requirements (m): Category 1: 557 m Category 2: 743 m Category 3: 928 m Category 4: 1486 m

Technology factor: ☐ YES ☒ NO

Expansion factor: ☐ YES ☒ NO

MDS related concerns from directly affected parties or referral agencies: ☐ YES ☒ NO

LAND BASE FOR MANURE AND COMPOST APPLICATION

Land base required: 693 ha

Land base listed: 854 ha owned land

Area not suitable: ~~Applicant has provided adequate land base~~

Available area _____ Requirement met: ☒ YES ☐ NO

Land spreading agreements required: ☐ YES ☒ NO

Manure management plan: ☐ YES ☒ NO If yes, plan is attached: ☐

PLANS

Submitted and attached construction plans: ☒ YES ☐ NO

Submitted aerial photos: ☒ YES ☐ NO

Submitted photos: ☐ YES ☒ NO

GRANDFATHERING

Already completed: ☐ YES ☐ NO ☒ N/A

If already completed, see _____

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ALL SIGNATURES IN FILE

☒ YES ☐ NO

DATES OF APPROVAL OFFICER SITE VISITS

November 18, 2024	

CORRESPONDENCE WITH MUNICIPALITIES AND REFERRAL AGENCIES

Date deeming letters sent: January 29, 2025

Municipality: M.D. of Smoky River

☒ letter sent ☒ response received ☒ written/email ☐ verbal ☐ no comments received

Alberta Health Services: ☒ N/A

☐ letter sent ☐ response received ☐ written/email ☐ verbal ☐ no comments received

Alberta Environment and Parks: ☐ N/A

☒ letter sent ☒ response received ☒ written/email ☐ verbal ☐ no comments received

Alberta Transportation: ☒ N/A

☐ letter sent ☐ response received ☐ written/email ☐ verbal ☐ no comments received

Alberta Regulatory Services: ☒ N/A

☐ letter sent ☐ response received ☐ written/email ☐ verbal ☐ no comments received

Other: Apex Utilities ☐ N/A

☒ letter sent ☐ response received ☐ written/email ☐ verbal ☒ no comments received

Other: _____ ☐ N/A

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SOLID MANURE, COMPOST, & COMPOSTING MATERIALS: Barns, feedlots, & storage facilities - Concrete liner

(complete a copy of this section for **EACH** barn, feedlot, and storage facility for solid manure, composting materials, or compost with a concrete liner)

Facility description / name (as indicated on site plan)

1. Laver Barn
2. Manure Pad

Manure storage capacity

	Length (m)	Width (m)	Depth below grade to the bottom of the liner (m)	NRCB USE ONLY Estimated storage capacity (m ³)
1.	332 (101 m)	65 (20 m)	0	
2.	60 (18 m)	50 (15 m)	0	
TOTAL CAPACITY				Solid manure adequate storage present

☐ I plan to use a short-term solid manure storage (STMS) as part of my manure storage and handling plan for this CFO. The AOPA requirements for STMS are set out in the NRCB [Short-Term Solid Manure Storage Requirements Fact Sheet](#).

Surface water control systems

Describe the run-on and runoff control system

under Roof

Liner protection

Describe how the physical integrity of the liner will be maintained

moniter, fix as needed

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Requirements met: ☒ YES ☐ NO

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SOLID MANURE, COMPOST, & COMPOSTING MATERIALS: Barns, feedlots, & storage facilities - Concrete liner (cont.)

Concrete liner details

Concrete thickness <i>6 inch</i>	Method of sulphate protection: <i>† 50</i>
Concrete strength <i>25</i>	Concrete reinforcement size and spacing <i>15 MM 18 in O/C</i>

Concrete requirements can be found in Technical Guideline Agdex 096-93

Guideline minimums:
Solid manure: 25MPa (D)
Solid manure (wet): 30MPa (C)
Method of sulphate protection:
Type 50 or Type 10 with fly ash or equivalent

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Requirements met: ☒ YES ☐ NO
Condition required: ☒ YES ☐ NO
Report attached: ☐ YES ☒ NO

Additional information (attach as required)

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Nine month manure storage volume requirements met ☒ YES ☐ YES With STMS ☐ NO
Depth to water table: *>6 m* Requirements met: ☒ YES ☐ NO
Depth to Uppermost groundwater resource: *45.72 m* Requirements met: ☒ YES ☐ NO
ERST completed: ☒ see ERST page for details

See Decision Summary FA24002 for explanation of risk from proposed facilities.

Surface water control systems

Requirements met: ☒ YES ☐ NO Details/comments:

Solid manure system under roof with proper landscaping around facilities.

Concrete liner details

Applicant to provide documentation confirming concrete information.

Leakage detection system required: ☐ YES ☒ NO If yes, please explain why.

