

Notice of Application

Confined Feeding Operation

The Hutterian Brethren Church of Pibroch have filed Application BA25010 with the Natural Resources Conservation Board (NRCB) to obtain an approval to expand an existing confined feeding operation (CFO) on the NW 28-61-26 W4M, SW 28-61-26 W4M and NE 29-61-26 W4M in Westlock County of Alberta. The application is to construct a new layer barn and to increase from 7,500 layers (plus pullets) to 30,000 layers (plus pullets), increase from 200 sheep (ewes and lambs) to 450 sheep (ewes and lambs), and to decrease finishing pigs to 700. This will bring the total permitted livestock to 80 milking cows (plus dries and replacements), 30,000 layers (plus pullets), 4,000 broilers, 300 turkeys, 1,600 ducks, 600 geese, 700 finishing pigs, 450 sheep (ewes and lambs), and 4,000 finishing beef.

The NRCB will also determine the grandfathered status of the CFO. The NRCB invites you to provide input on the CFO's livestock type, livestock capacity, and facilities as they existed on or around January 1, 2002. The Hutterian Brethren Church of Pibroch have stated that its grandfathered livestock capacity is 7,500 layers (plus pullets), 200 sheep (ewes and lambs), 2,500 finishing pigs, 80 milking cows (plus dries and replacements), 4,000 broilers, 300 turkeys, 1,600 ducks, 600 geese, and 4,000 finishing beef.

Filing a Response

Any person who is directly affected by the application and the grandfathering determination may submit a written response to the NRCB. The response must be received by the NRCB on or before **4:30 pm on May 1, 2025**. Submissions should be made to the NRCB address provided below. All attachments sent electronically must be in pdf format. A copy of the responses will be sent to the applicant for comment. Responses regarding the application may be posted on the NRCB's public website, as they are public records and are non-confidential.

Your written response must include your name, the legal land description of your residence or landholdings, mailing address, phone number, and email. You must also explain how you are directly affected. For further information please refer to the fact sheet "The Permitting Process for Confined Feeding Operations in Alberta" at www.nrcb.ca.

Failure to submit a written response affects your right to apply for an NRCB Board review.

Viewing the Application

A complete copy of the application and supporting documents submitted by the applicant under the *Agricultural Operation Practices Act* may be viewed on the NRCB website at www.nrcb.ca (under Confined Feeding Operations / Notice of Approval and Registration Applications). The application will also be available for in-person viewing at the Morinville office by appointment. If you require further information, please contact the approval officer listed below.

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The closing date for submissions:
4:30 pm on May 1, 2025

Dated at Morinville AB, on April 1, 2025