

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
Approval Registration Authorization	RA23029	N1/2 10-35-8 W4M
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APPLICATION DISCLOSURE

This information is collected under the authority of the *Agricultural Operation Practices Act* (AOPA), and is subject to the provisions of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. This information is public unless the NRCB grants a written request that certain sections remain private.

Any construction prior to obtaining an NRCB permit is an offence and is subject to enforcement action, including prosecution.

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.

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Date of signing

Signature

GROHAM SCHEIZSLE

Print name

Corporate name (if applicable)

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)
Per 6 (200 12 capacity)	6/m Jong. * Sam wide.
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450 Applicant decided to no longer pr	opose these pens
Catch Basin (south of pen 5)	55m lorg x 35m wite
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76m long x 48m wide 81m long x 69m wide.	
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	plicant wishes to permit as



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Existing facilities continued	Dimensions (m)	NRCB USE ONLY
,250	(length, width, and depth)	
Pen 4 (25 hd copacity)	70m long x 61m wide	
Pen 4 (200 h) copacity) Pen 5 (200 h) copacity)	70m long x 61m wide 52m long x 61m wide.	
		A REAL PROPERTY AND A REAL
Pens 4 and 5 were formerly used as sea	asonal pens that the applicant wishes to	permit as CFO facilitie
Pen 1 (far west pen) will stay as a cow	-calf pen, and therefore will not need to	be permitted.
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struction completion date for proposed facilities \$ late summer 2025 OR summer 2026.
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are is one pen (Far west), pen 1, that will used either for breeding hand purposes, or else not
toll.
n 2, built 2007, pen 3, built 2018, pens 4,5 built 2022, and proposed pens 6,7 (2026?) Il be graded and sloped, so all runoff fills into the catch basin (proposed 2025?),
1 4, built 200, 1 1 1 1 1 5 5 1/s into the catch hasin (Brand 2025?)
Ill be graded and stoped so all rullo TIN TIN THE and the first of the
cated straight south of pen 4.

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
Backgrander steer colors For grass	1250 Corrent	1750 h	1750 hd.
(Beef feeders)			



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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.

Cignod this	daysof	20
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.
- I (we) request that the NRCB process the AOPA application independently of EPA's processing of the CFO's application for a water licence.
- 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 <u>not</u> 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) in progress

Signed this 26	day of	Apenter	2024	, , ,		
	/	January.	25		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.
- Provide: Water license number(s) or water conveyance agreement details _____

Signed this _____ day of ______, 20____.

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

- 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*.
- 4. I (we) acknowledge that any construction or actions to populate the CFO with additional livestock pursuant to an AOPA permit in the absence of a *Water Act* licence will <u>not</u> be relevant to EPA's consideration of whether to grant my *Water Act* licence application, if a new water licence is needed.
- 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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- 7. Provide: Water license number(s) or water conveyance agreement details _____

Signed this _____ day of ______, 20_____,

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GENERAL ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION

Pen 2.34+5

(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:

Proposed 2: for 6+

Proposed	1:	catch	basin.	
-	-			

Proposed 3:

Facilit	y and environmental risk	Facilities				NRCB USE ONLY		
	information		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?	122/>1m □ ≤ 1m	122 >1 m □ ≤ 1 m	Ø >1 m □ ≤ 1 m	□ > 1 m □ ≤ 1 m	YES NO YES with exemption		
	How many springs are within 100 m of the manure storage facility or manure collection area?	0	0	0		YES NO YES with exemption		
Surface water information	How many water wells are within 100 m of the manure storage facility or manure collection area?	2	2	2		YES NO		
Su	What is the shortest distance from the manure collection or storage facility to a surface water body? (e.g., lake, creek, slough, seasonal)		250m	± 50m.		YES NO YES with exemption		
Iwater lation	What is the depth to the water table?	>5m	25M	>5m		YES NO YES with exemption		
Groundwater information	What is the depth to the groundwater resource/aquifer you draw water from?	±80m	= 80m	- 80m ==		YES NO		

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



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

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Neighbour name(s)	Legal land description	Distance (m)	Zoning (LUB) category	MDS category (1-4)	Distance (m)	Waiver attached (if required)	Meets regulations
Danny + Lisa Price	SE 16-35-8 W4	1300 m.					
David + Goyle Gorcat	NE 9-35-8 W4	1250 m					
(unscapied)							

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

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Name of land owner(s)*	Legal land description	Usable area** (ha)	Soil zone ***	Usable area (ha)	Agreement attached (if required)
Schetzske Martity Corp.	NE 10-35-8	30 ha.	Browsn(?)		
11 11	5E10-35-8	32 ha.	Brown		
D U	565 10-35-8	53 hp	Browsn.		
(/ ₁)	ALL 5225-3-35-8	182 ha	Brown.	N	
			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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RUNOFF CONTROL CATCH BASIN: Naturally	occurring protective layer
(complete a copy of this section for EACH proposed runoff	control catch basin with a naturally occurring protective layer)
Facility description / name (as indicated on site plan)	1. SMC Catch Basin (CB)
	2
益	3
Determination of runoff area	
Provide a plan and show how you calculated the area contr	ibuting to runoff for each catch basin
Requested space of pens 2-7 consists of	F 1 27000 m ² Requires approx - 1350 m ³ cotch
basin. Liner is an attendire, in onde	r to dis deeper. OR anstall above graved level

Catch basin capacity

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			Darth halam	Slope run:rise			NRCB USE ONLY	
	Length (m)	Width (m)	Total depth (m)	Depth below ground level (m)	Inside end walls	Inside side walls	Outside walls	Calculated storage capacity (excl. 0.5 m freeboard) (m ³)
1.	7055	3035	2	1.0	3	3		
2.								
3.								
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TOTAL CAPACITY

Naturally occurring protective layer details

Thickness of naturally occurring protective layer	1.4 (m)	Provide details (a new soil test required	t between 651 and Liver is also a	a 655 may be in gotion for basiv	1.
Soil texture	<u>30</u> % sand	2	8_% silt	42.	% clay
	Depth and type of soil tested	Hydraulic conduc	tivity (cm/s) De	escribe test standard use	ed
Hydraulic conductivity - naturally occurring protective layer	2	2	2		
Catch Basin – Design and man Technical Guideline Agdex 096	agement requirements can be found in -101	NRCB USE	ONLY		1
_22			Requirements n	met: YES II	NO
If soil info differs per facility in	sciude additional colls nace	J. Standard	Condition requir	red: YES I	NO
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SOLID MANURE, COMPOST, & COMPOSTING MATERIALS: Barns, feedlots, & storage facilities -Naturally occurring protective layer

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

Facility description / name (as indicated on site plan)

Pens 2, 3, 4 and 5 are proposed with the naturally occurring protective layer

Manure storage capacity

	Length (m)	Width (m)	Depth below ground level (m)	NRCB USE ONLY Estimated storage capacity (m ³)
1.	-61m	52 m	5 Ø	
2.	-61 m		Ø	
	Dimensions	pens 2, 3, 4 and 5 are	listed bottom TOTAL CAPACITY	

of page. All are at 0 m below ground level.

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

Naturally occurring protective layer details

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	and the second of the second	Provide deta	ails (as required)		
Thickness of naturally occurring protective layer	see attached				
	(m)				
Soil texture	% sand		% silt		% clay
Hydraulic conductivity - naturally occurring protective layer		Hydraulic conductivity (cm/s)		Describe tes	t standard used
Additional information (a	attach copies of soil test reports)	NRC	B USE ONLY		
250	(length, width	, and depth)	Requiren	nents met:	YES NO
	y) 76m long x 4	Sm wide Cond		Condition required:	
2 (275 hd capacity 3 (375 hd capacity 400	3) 76m long x 4) 81m brs x 69	m wide.	Report a	ttached:	YES INO

,250	(length, width, and depth)
Pan 4 (25 W copacity)	70 m lors x 61 m wide
Pen 5 (ZOOD capality)	52m long x 6/m wide.





1 May 2024

J Lobbezoo Engineering & Consulting Services Ltd.

PO Box 96, Monarch, AB T0L1M0

JLECS File: P24009

Schetzsle Marketing Corp. PO Box 618, 8245 Highway 12 Veteran, Alberta T0C2S0

Attention: Mr. Graham Schetzsle

Re: Geotechnical Review and Evaluation NRCB Permitting of Proposed Feedlot Pens and Catch Basin NE-10-035-08-W4M, near Veteran, Alberta

As requested, J Lobbezoo Engineering & Consulting Services Ltd. (JLECS) has carried out a geotechnical review and evaluation of the above-captioned site relative to the required protection of the groundwater resource, as required by the Agricultural Operation Practices Act, AB Reg. 267/2001 (hereinafter referred to as "AOPA"). This letter describes site soil conditions to support a permit application related to proposed feedlot pens and a catch basin to be located in the northwest corner area of NE-10-035-08-W4M (refer to Figure 1, attached).

In order to demonstrate the suitability of the naturally existing soils for consideration as a naturally occurring protective layer to the groundwater, six boreholes were advanced at the site on October 16, 2023. The boreholes were advanced at the approximate locations denoted as GS1-23 to GS6-23 on Figure 1, attached.

The boreholes were advanced by a truck-mounted drill rig owned and operated by Chilako Drilling Services and extended to depths ranging between 3.0 m and 4.5 m below existing grades. The boreholes were logged by Larry Delong of Chilako Drilling Services.

In general, the natural mineral soils encountered in the boreholes consisted of a 1.2 m to 2.1 m thick layer of medium to high plastic clay till overlying bedrock. The bedrock was described as a complex of sandstone, siltstone and mudstone. In the upper tableland / proposed pen area (i.e., boreholes GS1-23 to GS4-23), no evidence of free groundwater or a groundwater resource (as defined by the AOPA) was identified within the 4.5 m investigation depth. However, in the lower bench / proposed catch basin area (i.e., boreholes GS5-23 and GS6-23), groundwater was contacted in sandstone bedrock below about 3.9 m depth, and hydrostatic pressure to approximately 1.2 m depth was observed in the two boreholes.

Samples of soil collected from the screened zone of borehole GS4-23 and a composite sample from the upper 1.2 m at borehole GS5-23 were subjected to textural analyses, which was carried out by Down to Earth Laboratories in Lethbridge, Alberta. The results indicate a textural breakdown of:

Table 1: Soil Textural Analyses

Borehole/Depth	% Sand	% Silt	% Clay
GS4-23 / 1.0-1.5m	24	29	47
GS5-23 / 0-1.2m	30	28	42



To measure the *in situ* permeability of the subsurface soils in the upper tableland / proposed pen area, a 50 mm diameter PVC monitoring well was constructed in borehole GS4-23. The test well was screened from 1.0 m to 2.2 m depth. Well saturation of the 50 mm diameter monitoring well was carried out by filling the monitoring well to the top for several consecutive days. After several days of testing, a 24-hour water drop of 0.31 m was determined at GS3-23.

To calculate the permeability of the screened portion of the clay till strata at the test well location, a modified falling head test (as outlined in the USBR Engineering Geology Field Manual Volume 2 [2001]) was used. The input variables and output data are outlined on the attached In Situ Permeability Test report. The results of the permeability testing indicate an *in situ* hydraulic conductivity, k_{sr} of <u>8.6 x 10⁻⁸ cm/s</u> at GS4-23.

Using the measured permeability of the clay stratum, the 1.2 m of clay screened at GS4-23 is estimated to represent the equivalent of approximately 14 m of naturally occurring materials having a hydraulic conductivity of 1×10^{-6} cm/s (the reference standard in AOPA). This represents natural material protection in excess of the minimum requirements outlined by the AOPA for solid manure storage (minimum 2 m, Section 9.5-c, and catch basins (minimum 5 m, Section 9.5-b).

Proposed Catch Basin

The proposed catch basin location is located at the base of a slope, at a location adjacent to an intermittent creek. As there is only about 1.2 m of clay overburden at the proposed catch basin location, the catch basin would need to be built up above the existing grade, and separated from the intermittent creek with a suitable berm in order to maintain the AOPA-mandated separation requirement from a *common body of water*, as outlined in Section 7.1-c) or Section 7.3-b of the AOPA. In this case, the existing near surface clay soil is considered suitable for construction of the earthen berm, or the lining of an above-ground catch basin, though further laboratory permeability testing would be required to support this approach.

Alternatively, consideration can also be given to the construction of a shallow excavated catch basin located closer to the feedlot pens at the crest of the slope. For consideration of a *naturally occurring liner*, the depth of the excavated catch basin should be limited to 1 m, and confirmatory test pits should be excavated at the determined catch basin location to confirm the additional presence of a minimum of 0.5 m of clay till below the base of the catch basin excavation. If necessary, a perimeter berm can be constructed along the south side of the catch basin using the excavated clay till soils to reduce the excavation depth of the new catch basin. Schetzsle Marketing Corp. Geotechnical Review & Evaluation, NE-10-035-08-W4M, near Veteran, Alberta 1 May 2024 Page 3

Conclusion

Based on the results of the current investigation, permeability testing, and our understanding of the site and proposed development at the site, it is JLECS's opinion that the naturally occurring materials within the upper tableland area satisfy the AOPA requirements for permitting the proposed pens (solid manure storage) and catch basin at this location.

Further, while it may be more difficult to suitably site the catch basin on the lower bench near the intermittent creek, it is expected that the near surface clay till will be suitable for use as a compacted clay liner. In this case, further laboratory permeability testing of the clay soil would be required to support the NRCB permit application for the catch basin. JLECS can provide this testing upon request.

We trust that this report satisfies your present requirements. Should you have any questions, please contact the undersigned at your convenience.

Yours truly,

J Lobbezoo Engineering & Consulting Services Ltd.



John Lobbezdor P.Eng. Principal Geotechnical Engineer

Attachments

Figure 1 Borehole Locations

In Situ Permeability Test Calculations

Soil Profile and Parent Material Description, Chilako Drilling Services

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RM APEGA ID #:	10450
DATE:	1 May 2024
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Figure 1: Borehole Locations

Proposed Feedlot Pens & Catch Basin



GS4-23

In Situ Permeability Test

Modified Falling Head Permeability Equation

$$K_{s} = \frac{r^{2}}{2\ell\Delta t} \left[\frac{\sinh^{-1}\frac{\ell}{r_{e}}}{2} \ln \left[\frac{2H_{1}-\ell}{2H_{2}-\ell} \right] - \ln \left[\frac{2H_{1}H_{2}-\ell}{2H_{1}H_{2}-\ell} \right] \right]$$

taken from USBR Engineering Geology Field Manual Volume 2 (2001)

GS4-23 - Schetzsle Marketing Corp. JLECS File: P24009

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Щ	Terms	Value	Definition
В	D	0.0520	diameter of standpipe (m)
VIA	De	0.1500	diameter of borehole (m)
AF	L	1.20	length of sand section (m)
2	h1	2.50	initial height of water above base of hole (m)
5	h2	2.19	final height of water above base of hole (m)
L L	t	24.0	time of test (h)
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k_s = 8.6E-08 cm/sec

CHILAKO DRILLING SERVICES LTD

Box 942 Coaldale, Alberta, T1M 1M8 (403) 345-3710

SOIL PROFILE AND PARENT MATERIAL DESCRIPTION

Site	Site Location: NE10-35-8W4, Schetzsle Marketing Corp Date: 16-Oct-23							
Hole #		Depth	Texture		8	Sample	Remarks	
GS1-23	0495698 5760502	0-1.0 1.0-1.4 1.4-2.1 2.1-4.5	CL-C CL Sandstone Siltstone	SM SM SM SM	Till Till Bedrock Bedrock		Stiff, med-high plastic Fractured, oxidized	
GS2-23	0495691 5760607	0-1.2 1.2-2.0 2.0-3.0	CL-C CL Mudstone	SM M SM	Till Till Bedrock		Stiff, med-high plastic Fractured, oxidized	
GS3-23	0495583 5760542	0-0.6 0.6-2.1 2.1-3.0	CL CL-C Siltstone	M M M	Till Till Bedrock		Mixed with sand and gravel Stiff, olive, oxidized	
GS4-23	0495658 5760578	0-1.5 1.5-2.2 2.2-3.0	CL-C Mudstone Siltstone	M M M	Till Bedrock Bedrock	1.0-1.5 1.5-2.0	Stiff, med plastic, brown Olive 50mm H.C. Well installed to 2.2m BGS Screen: 2.2-1.2m Sand: 2.2-1.0m Bentonite: 1.0-0.0m Stickup: 0.3m Hole Diameter: 0.15m	
GS5-23	0495595 5760407	0-1.2 1.2-1.4 1.4-3.4 3.4-4.5	C C Mudstone Sandstone	M M M Sat	Lac Lac Bedrock Bedrock	1.0-1.2	Stiff, high plastic, dark brown, bulk 0.5-1.2 Stiff, high plastic, gray Sat@3.9m with artesian pressure to 1.2m	
GS6-23	0495572 5760436	0-1.2 1.2-3.1 3.1-4.0 4.0-4.5	C Mudstone Sandstone Sandstone	M M Sat	Lac Bedrock Bedrock Bedrock		Stiff, high plastic, dark brown Soft bedrock, gray brown Soft bedrock, gray Soft bedrock, gray, artesian pressure @ 1.2m	

Legend: L

Clay С

S Sand

Gr. Gravel

Silt Si F

Fine (sand) VF Very Fine (sand)

Loam

Eg. VFSCL = Very Fine Sandy Clay Loam