

### Total permitted animal capacity from all permits for this site:

28,500 chicken layers (plus associated pullets)
80,000 chicken broilers
500 beef finishers
400 ducks
200 geese
300 turkeys

In consideration of Decision Summary LA25025, Approval LA25025 is issued to:

Name: Meridian Hutterian Brethren (the "permit holder")

Address: Box 210, Acadia Valley AB T0J 0A0

Contact person: Rueben Entz

Permitted construction (based on the submitted site plan):

• Broiler barn – 18.3 m x 121.9 m

Already constructed facilities (based on the submitted site plan):

Mc Barn – 12.2 m x 45.7 m

The permit holder shall comply with the requirements of the *Agricultural Operation Practices Act* (AOPA) and the regulations passed pursuant to that Act.

The permit holder shall adhere to the descriptions, the site plan, building plans, and other attached documents included with filed Application LA25025 and associated Approval LA22021.

The permit holder shall contact the NRCB at least 10 working days in advance of the desired inspection date to schedule the inspection in condition #3.

The permit holder is responsible for all costs associated with recording and reporting requirements (this includes post construction reports).

#### **Construction conditions**

# Broiler barn

- The concrete used to construct the liner of the broiler barn must meet the specifications for category D (solid manure – dry), in Technical Guideline Agdex 096-93 "Non-Engineered Concrete Liners for Manure Collection and Storage Areas." The permit holder shall provide written confirmation confirming the concrete used for the manure collection and storage areas meets the required specifications prior to the post construction inspection cited in condition #3.
- 2. The permit holder shall complete construction of the broiler barn prior to November 30, 2026. Upon request, this deadline may be extended in writing by the NRCB.



3. The permit holder shall not place manure or allow livestock in the broiler barn until the facility has been inspection by NRCB personnel and confirmed by them, in writing, to have been constructed in accordance with the terms and conditions of this permit.

This approval becomes effective immediately. The approval conditions will remain in effect unless amended in writing by the NRCB.

Approval LA22021 is hereby superseded, and its content consolidated into this Approval LA25025, unless Approval LA25025 is held invalid following a review and decision by the NRCB's board members or by a court, in which case Approval LA22021 will remain in effect.

June 24, 2025

(Original signed) Kelsey Peddle Approval Officer



# Approval LA25025 - Appendix

# **Existing permitted facilities**

Facility	Dimensions (m)	From
Chicken layer barn addition	13.4 m x 71.0 m	Approval LA22021
Feedlot pen #1	164.6 m x 91.4 m	Approval LA17037
Feedlot pen #2	146.3 m x 91.4 m	
Calving barn	21.3 m x 61.0 m	
Catch basin	45 m x 40 m x 3 m deep	
Chicken broiler barn	121.9 m x 18.2 m	Approval LA13017
Layer barn	103.9 m x 32.3 m	
Pullet barn	82.2 m x 14.0 m	

# **Construction conditions** (brought forward from Approval LA22021)

- 1. The concrete used to construct the liner of the manure collection and storage portion of the layer barn addition must meet the specification for category D (solid manure dry) in Technical Guideline Agdex 096-93 "Non-Engineered Concrete Liners for Manure Collection and Storage Areas."
- 2. Meridian Colony must provide documentation to confirm the specifications of the concrete and rebar used to construct the manure storage and collection portions of the layer barn addition. This must be provided to the NRCB prior to the construction completion inspection.
- 3. The construction of the manure collection and storage portions of the layer barn addition must be completed by December 1, 2024. Upon request, this deadline may be extended by the NRCB in writing.
- 4. The permit holder shall not allow manure or poultry in the layer barn addition until it has been inspected by NRCB personnel and determined by them, in writing, to have been constructed in accordance with the terms and conditions of this permit.

#### **Construction conditions** (brought forward from Approval LA17037)

### Feedlot pens

1. The permit holder shall not utilize the feedlot pens for confining beef finishers, until the catch basin has been constructed to the satisfaction of the NRCB, and conditions #4, #5, and #6 of this permit have been met.

# Calving barn

- 2. The permit holder shall complete construction of the manure collection and storage portions of the calving barn prior to November 30, 2020. Upon request, this deadline may be extended by the NRCB in writing.
- 3. The permit holder shall not place manure or allow livestock into the calving barn until the calving barn has been inspected by NRCB personnel and determined by them, in Approval LA17037 SW 36-24-2 W4M 2 writing, to have been constructed in accordance with the terms and conditions of this permit.



### Catch basin

- 4. The permit holder shall complete construction of the manure collection and storage portions of the catch basin prior to November 30, 2020. Upon request, this deadline may be extended by the NRCB in writing.
- 5. The permit holder shall provide the NRCB with a written construction completion report for the catch basin. The report shall be stamped and signed by a "professional engineer," as defined in the Standards and Administration Regulation, and shall:
  - Certify that the catch basin was constructed at the location specified in the site plan provided with the application;
  - Certify that the catch basin was constructed according to the recommended construction procedures in the December 18, 2017 Parkland Geo report.
  - Provide the in-situ density test results of the constructed catch basin liner.

This report must be provided to the NRCB during (or before) the post construction inspection required by condition #6 below, or at another time as specified by the NRCB.

6. The permit holder shall not allow runoff or manure in the catch basin until that catch basin has been inspected by NRCB personnel and determined by them, in writing, to have been constructed in accordance with the terms and conditions of this permit.

# **Construction conditions** (brought forward, as amended, from Approval LA13017)

- 1. Broiler chicken barn
- Construction of the manure collection and storage portions of the broiler barn must be completed prior to August 30, 2016, unless otherwise agreed upon in writing by the NRCB.
- b. The manure storage portion of the broiler barn must be inspected by the NRCB personnel prior to animals or manure being placed in the new broiler barn.
- c. The concrete used to construct the manure collection and storage system in the broiler barn must have a 28 day strength of 25.5 MPa. A copy of the concrete supplier's invoice or test results must be provided to the NRCB prior to manure or animals entering the broiler barn, to confirm concrete specifications.

# 2. Layer chicken barn

- a. Construction of the manure collection and storage portions of the layer barn must be completed prior to August 30, 2016, unless otherwise agreed upon in writing by the NRCB.
- b. The manure storage portion of the layer barn must be inspected by the NRCB personnel prior to animals or manure being placed in the new layer barn.
- c. The concrete used to construct the manure collection and storage system in the layer barn must have a 28 day strength of 25.5 MPa. A copy of the supplier's invoice or test results must be provided to the NRCB prior to manure or animals entering the layer barn, to confirm concrete specifications.

#### 3. Pullet barn

a. Construction of the manure collection and storage portions of the pullet barn must be completed prior to August 30, 2016, unless otherwise agreed upon in writing by the NRCB.



- b. The manure storage portion of the pullet barn must be inspected by the NRCB personnel prior to animals or manure being placed in the new pullet barn.
- c. The concrete used to construct the manure collection and storage system in the pullet barn must have a 28 day strength of 25.5 MPa. A copy of the concrete supplier's invoice or test results must be provided to the NRCB prior to manure or animals entering the pullet barn, to confirm concrete specifications.