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DATE: June 25, 2020

TO: Cerro Gordo County Board of Supervisors

CC: John Robbins, Cerro Gordo County Planning and Zoning

FROM: Daniel Ries, Cerro Gordo County Department of Public Health

SUBJECT: Manure Management Plan for Craig Benjegerdes

This report is being written to make you aware of concerns regarding an **updated** Manure Management Plan received by this office from **Craig Benjegerdes** swine operation. This report is being submitted according to Resolution 2003-123 **A Resolution Adopting Policy for the Receipt, Review and Comment on Manure Management Plans Received by the Cerro Gordo County Board of Supervisors**. Within seven (7) days of receipt of the manure management plan the Environmental Health Service Manager shall review the Manure Management Plan and prepare a report to the Board of Supervisors detailing the issues to be forwarded to the Iowa Department of Natural Resources.

The confinement operation is located at **3526 Mallard Avenue in Worth County**. Total swine capacity of the facility is 2,900 in the wean-finish stage or an Animal Unit Capacity (AUC) of 1,160. The 1,266,830 gallons of manure produced annually is stored in a deep indoor pit and an earthen basin.

The plan consists of five (5) fields totaling 725 acres; however only one (1) of the fields, consisting of 216 acres, is in Cerro Gordo County while the rest of the acres are in Worth County. The field in Cerro Gordo County is located in Section 1 of Lincoln Township. The operator indicates no changes have been made to the plan. This report will focus on Cerro Gordo County concerns which are similar to last year and listed below:

- A waterway and its flood plain run through the field in Section 1 of Lincoln Township. The waterway is a tributary to Wharem Creek.

If you have any questions regarding this information feel free to contact this office at (641) 421-9338 or dries@cghealth.com.



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July 27, 2020

TO: Board of Supervisors

CC: Daniel Ries, Senior Environmental Health Specialist

FROM: John Robbins

SUBJECT: Manure Management Plan update filed by Craig Benjegerdes

Gentlemen:

This report is being made pursuant to Resolution No. 2003-123 regarding a manure management plan update for Craig Benjegerdes. This plan covers land on which manure will be applied from an existing confinement facility located in Worth County. According to the form that was filed, no changes have been made.

In Cerro Gordo County, manure will be spread on one, 216-acre field. The number of acres on which manure will be applied is unchanged from the previous year. The field is located in Section 1 of Lincoln Township. According to the plan, manure will be spread on the field in crop year 2021.

There is no highly erodible land in the field in Cerro Gordo County. There is a floodplain area, however, in the southwesterly corner of the field in Cerro Gordo County. This waterway is a tributary to Wharam Creek. There are also some small waterways that feed into this tributary. However, the risk of runoff is low since manure will be injected into the soil. Also, this field does not contain highly erodible land.

The field in Cerro Gordo County on which manure will be applied is 2½ miles northeast of King Fisher Hollow Conservation Area. Manly city limits, Country Estates and Bruns subdivisions, and Pine Creek Golf Course are all within 4 miles of this field. There are about nine dwellings in Cerro Gordo County within ½-mile of the fields on which manure will be applied.

Access to the field is only possible by gravel road (Mallard Avenue or 340th Street). Damage to gravel roads is possible if manure is hauled over them following periods of wet weather or when frost boils are emerging.

In summary, my two major concerns with the manure management plan are the proximity of the field to residences and possible damage to gravel roads from the hauling of manure.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Attachment



2020 MMP Short Form for Annual Update

Facility

Benjegerdes Hog Facility # 60189
3526 Mallard Ave
Manly, IA 50456

Date Due:
06/01/2020

Date Received:
06/25/2020

Date Approved:
06/25/2020

Owner

Craig Benjegerdes

Contact

Craig Benjegerdes

Prior to making changes in manure management practices, update the on-site copy to show actual changes. Please select changes below and include all changes in your current, on-site MMP.

- I have made no changes to my MMP
- I have added acres
- Change Crop Rotation or Optimum Yields
- Changed Application Method
- Used manure analysis
- I am electing to be a small animal feeding operation (SAFO) or facility capacity has changed
- I have made other changes to my MMP Describe :

- I sell all manure with a Chapter 200A license through the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship.
- In addition to selling manure as indicated above, I also apply manure to fields using a manure management plan.

County Notifications

The following counties have been notified:

Cerro Gordo

Worth

Animal Unit Capacity / Payment Summary

Animal Type	Head	AUC	Amount (AUC * 0.15)
Swine Wean to Finish	2900	1160.00	\$174.00
Total	2900	1160.00	\$174.00

I, Craig Benjegerdes, attest that the information indicated above is accurate and complete.

Comments