

# Notice of Application

## Confined Feeding Operation & Water Licence

Stonybrook Farms Ltd. has filed Application RA23031 with the Natural Resources Conservation Board (NRCB) to obtain an approval to expand a confined feeding operation (CFO) on the W½ 14-41-27 W4M in Lacombe County, Alberta. The application is to expand an existing dairy to 450 milking cows, 70 dry cows, 500 replacements and to construct a new heifer barn and a solid manure storage pad.

Stonybrook Farms Ltd. has also filed an application with Alberta Environment and Protected Areas (EPA) for a licence under the *Water Act* to divert water up to a maximum of 7,500 cubic metres annually from a groundwater well located at SW 14-041-27 W4 for agricultural (confined feeding operation) purposes. The production interval of the well is from 36.6 m to 48.7 m.

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### Filing a Response and/or a Statement of Concern

Any person who is directly affected by the application may submit a response to the NRCB. The response must be received by the NRCB on or before May 13, 2024. Submissions must be made to the NRCB email address provided below. Copies of the submissions will be sent to EPA and to the applicant for review and comment. Submissions received regarding the application are public records and are non-confidential.

### NRCB

Responses regarding the CFO application should include your name, the legal land description of your residence or landholdings, mailing address, phone number, email address, and a detailed summary that describes how you would be directly affected by this application. For further information please refer to the fact sheet "The Permitting Process for Confined Feeding Operations in Alberta" at [www.nrcb.ca](http://www.nrcb.ca). You may also file an application for directly affected party status at this time. Failure to submit a response may affect your rights to apply for an NRCB Board review.

### EPA

Statements regarding the water licence application should quote file number: DAPP0059398. EPA will review each written statement of concern, seek more information if needed and notify each filer by letter of the decision to accept or reject their written submission as a valid statement of concern. The Public Notice of this application will also be posted on EPA's website at: [https://regulatoryassurance.alberta.ca/dras?id=public\\_notice](https://regulatoryassurance.alberta.ca/dras?id=public_notice)

Failure to file statements of concern may affect the right to file a Notice of Appeal with the Environmental Appeals Board.

### 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](http://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 Red Deer 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 13, 2024**

Dated at Red Deer, AB, on April 11, 2024

