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Spitnale Pigs, Ltd.
Draft Permit to Install and Draft Permit to Operate

General overview of the farm

Spitnale Pigs, Ltd. is the name of an existing swine finishing facility located at 21764 Road I 17, Cloverdale Ohio 45827. It is situated in Putnam County, Perry Township in the Auglaize River Watershed. The facility is owned and operated by Casey Spitnale, Becky Spitnale, and Spitnale Pigs, Ltd. The facility consists of one existing swine barn, with a total design capacity of 2,400 head of swine weighing more than 55 pounds. Liquid manure is stored in a concrete pit located below the barn floor, which provides 1,073,000 gallons of storage capacity, or about 666 days' worth of storage. An existing concrete structure located adjacent to the barn provides 7,089 cubic feet of storage for composting mortality losses.

General overview of the draft Permit to Install

The draft Permit to Install (PTI) proposes to construct a new barn to house an additional 2,400 head of swine. The proposed construction would bring the facility's total design capacity to 4,800 head of swine weighing more than 55 pounds. The new barn would have a concrete pit located below the floor that could store 1,073,000 gallons of liquid manure, providing about 666 days' worth of storage. The existing mortality compost structure would continue to provide 7,089 cubic feet of storage capacity for the compost material, or an estimated 5,357 days' worth of storage.

General overview of the draft Permit to Operate

Within the draft Permit to Operate (PTO), a manure management plan is provided which outlines different inspections and monitoring activities that must be completed. After the proposed construction, the facility would generate an estimated 1,176,000 gallons of liquid swine manure and 14.5 tons of solid mortality compost material annually. The facility plans to land apply about half of the swine manure and mortality compost material generated each year on 300 acres of crop land under the control of the facility. The rest of the manure and compost material generated each year would be distributed to and utilized by cooperating farmers on an additional 358 acres of nearby crop land. The various crop rotations for all acres receiving manure would include corn, soybeans, wheat, and alfalfa.

A detailed Insect and Rodent Control Plan is required to minimize the presence and negative effects of insects and rodents. The plan details which types of pests could potentially cause problems and how the facility will prevent those problems from occurring. The plan explains what preventative measures and treatments are available and how and when they might be employed. Details regarding the Insect and Rodent Control Plan can be found in the draft PTO.

A Mortality Management Plan is required for the disposal of dead livestock. Approved methods of disposal are burying, landfilling, burning, rendering and composting. Spitnale Pigs, Ltd. plans to continue using composting as the primary method to manage mortality losses.



An Emergency Response Plan is required to ensure that emergencies are handled quickly and efficiently to maintain the safety of the environment, wildlife and water supplies and resources. The plan also identifies procedures to be followed during an emergency, such as a spill or discharge, as well as contact information for those who would need to be notified in the event of an emergency.

Finally, an Operating Record is included that provides all forms and information that must be maintained by the facility to show compliance with ODA's rules and the permit. These records document inspection of the manure storage structures, groundwater sampling, manure characterization, land application, insect and rodent control, distribution and utilization of manure, and mortality management. The facility and its records are regularly inspected by the ODA to ensure compliance.

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