



PUBLIC NOTICE

The Ohio Department of Agriculture will hold a public hearing for the purpose of accepting testimony on the proposed amendments made to Chapter 901:10 of the Ohio Administrative Code.

The rules contained in this package are overseen by the Division of Livestock Environmental Permitting. The rules have been reviewed by the Department and key stakeholders in order to comply with the five year rule review process. In December 2000, the state legislature gave the Ohio Department of Agriculture the responsibility for overseeing and permitting Ohio's largest livestock and poultry farms. Program staff is responsible for regulating how Ohio's largest livestock and poultry farms handle manure and waste water, as well as manage flies, rodents and other pests. In addition, program staff reviews architectural and engineering plans for these facilities to help ensure that manure and other waste water is properly contained within the facility and to protect Ohio's waterways and environment.

The hearing will be held on:

March 21, 2017 at 9:00 A.M.

**Ohio Department of Agriculture
Plant Health Building
Plant Industry Conference Room
8995 East Main Street
Reynoldsburg, Ohio 43068-3399.**

The hearing will be conducted in accordance with Chapter 119 of the Revised Code. Any person affected by the no change rule package may appear and be heard in person, by his attorney, or both, may present his position, arguments, or contentions, orally or in writing, offer and examine witnesses, and present evidence tending to show that the no change rule package, if adopted or effectuated, will be unreasonable or unlawful.

More information on the rule package, including a business impact analysis and copies of the rules, can be found at <http://www.agri.ohio.gov/proposedrules/proposedrules.aspx> or by visiting the Register of Ohio at www.registerofohio.state.oh.us.

Any person who wishes to present his position, arguments, or contentions in writing, other than at the public hearing, may do so by either mailing his or her written comments to the Ohio Department of Agriculture, c/o Legal Section, 8995 East Main Street, Reynoldsburg, Ohio 43068; by email at ecomments@agri.ohio.gov, or by transmitting by facsimile at (614) 995-4585. Written comments sent by mail shall be postmarked no later than the day of the hearing. Written comments transmitted by facsimile shall be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on the day of the hearing.

