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## Tuck Farms Draft Permit to Operate Renewal

### *General overview of the farm*

The existing swine finishing facility known as “Tuck Farms” is located at 7895 Parker Road, Bloomville, Ohio, 44818. It is situated in Crawford County, Lykens Township in the Sandusky River watershed. The facility is owned and operated by Monte and Sheila Tuck. The facility consists of three existing deep pit swine finishing barns with permitted design capacity of 4,600 head of swine weighing more than 55 pounds. Liquid manure is stored in concrete pits located below each barn floor, which provide a combined 1.61 million gallons of storage capacity. In addition, there is a mortality compost pad that provides 1,280 cubic feet of storage. The facility has over a year’s worth of liquid manure and mortality compost 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. Each year, the facility generates an estimated 1,396,000 gallons of liquid swine manure and 12 tons of mortality compost. All of the liquid manure and mortality compost will be land applied on approximately 648 acres under the control of the facility. The crop rotation for all acres receiving manure includes corn, soybeans, and hay.

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. The facility plans to continue utilizing mortality 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.

