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Gill Livestock
Draft Permit to Install and Draft Permit to Operate

General overview of the farm

Gill Livestock is an existing livestock facility located at 3180 Davis Road, London, Ohio 43140. It is situated in Madison County, Union Township in the Lower Scioto River Watershed, and it is owned and operated by Gill Integrated Livestock and Land Farms, LLC. The facility currently has a design capacity of 3,200 swine weighing over 55 pounds. The swine are housed in two barns with liquid manure stored in concrete pits below the barns. The facility has a total liquid manure storage capacity of about 4.5 million gallons, which is greater than a year's worth of storage.

General overview of the draft Permit to Install

The draft Permit to Install (PTI) proposes one additional barn to house 1,800 head of swine. The barn would be constructed with a concrete pit below the housing area and would have one year of manure storage. After the proposed construction, the facility's total design capacity would be 5,000 head of swine weighing more than 55 pounds.

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 would generate an estimated 5 million gallons of liquid swine manure and 55 tons of solid mortality compost material. All of the manure would be land applied each year under the control of the facility on 1,048 acres, with a typical crop rotation including corn, soybeans, and alfalfa. The application of manure on these acres will recycle the organic nutrients and reduce the need to apply highly-soluble commercial synthetic fertilizers.

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. Gill Livestock plans to continue using composting as the primary method to manage mortality.

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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