Texas Commission on Environmental Quality



Notice of Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation Application

**General Permit Authorization No. TXG921060**

**Application.** Cal-Maine Foods, Inc., PO Box 219, Flatonia, Texas 78941 has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) under General Permit No. TXG920000 for a non-substantial change to the terms of the nutrient management plan (NMP) previously submitted to the TCEQ. The Applicant is reducing the acreage for land management unit (LMU) #2 from 24 to 23 acres and LMU #4 from 47 to 32 acres, which decreased the total land application area from 231 to 215 acres. Other proposed changes include the addition of Settling Basin #4 and a Flush Pit for an offsite digester that will utilize wastewater and manure from the poultry operation. There will be no land application onsite from the flush pit, or solid digestate. Since the offsite digester will utilize commingled waste as feedstock, the digestate (wastewater) from the offsite digester will not be stored in the onsite retention control structures (RCS). The design calculations for the retention control structures (RCS) were revised because of the reconfiguration of the drainage area, which increased the required capacity for RCSs P-1 /S-1 from 199.08 to 202.54 ac-ft. The facility maps have been revised as a result of these changes. The authorized maximum capacity of 1,297,416 laying hens (liquid waste), and the list of alternative crops and yield goals, will remain the same. The notice of change application and the updated NMP were received by TCEQ on June 3, 2024.

No discharge of pollutants into the waters in the state is authorized by this general permit except under chronic or catastrophic rainfall conditions or events. All waste and wastewater will be beneficially used on agricultural land.

The facility is located at 1680 County Road 431, Waelder, Gonzales County, Texas 78959. The facility is located in the drainage area of the Guadalupe River in Segment No. 1803 of the Guadalupe River Basin. The following link to an electronic map of the site or facility’s general location is provided as a public courtesy and is not part of the application or notice. <https://gisweb.tceq.texas.gov/LocationMapper/?marker=-97.326944,29.675277&level=18>. For the exact location, refer to the application.

The Executive Director of the TCEQ has approved the proposed non-substantial change to the terms of the NMP. The revised terms of the NMP have been included in the permit record and it is available at the TCEQ’s Central Records, 12100 Park 35 Circle Austin, Texas 78753.

**Information.** For additional information about this application, contact Robert Chavez, P.E., at (512) 239-0442. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040. General information regarding the TCEQ can be found at our web site at [www.tceq.texas.gov/](http://www.tceq.texas.gov/).

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