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Gary Bailey (via electronic mail)
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RE: Nutrient Management Plan (NMP) review for proposed new registration to the Oregon
Confined Animal Feeding Operation (CAFO) Water Pollution Control Facility (WPCF)
General Permit #01-2015 / MA #995448.

Dear Gary,

On January 21, 2025, the Oregon Department of Agriculture (department) received your updated Application to Register (ATR), Land Use Compatibility Statement (LUCS), Water Supply Plan (WSP), Signed Declaration of Preliminary Consultation and Nutrient Management Plan (NMP) for your facility located at, 8700 Green Dr., Culver, Oregon. We have completed our review of the complete application package, and our conclusions follow.

On January 28, 2025, the Oregon Department of Agriculture (department) received a Nutrient Management Plan (NMP) for your Cattle Feedlot facility located at 8700 Green Dr., Culver, Oregon. On May 1, 2025, we received an updated NMP.

NMP Status: Approvable, Pending Public Notice

The NMP you provided was logged into our files as 25001. The NMP has been reviewed and found to be Approvable. Please find enclosed the NMP review memo.

Construction Status: Approvable, Pending Public Notice

On February 27, 2025, the department received your Construction Approval Package. On April 30, 2025, we received updates to the construction approval package.

You are requesting to build feedlot pens and evaporation ponds on your ranch. After reviewing the construction package, you are approved to construct fourteen feedlot pens and four runoff evaporation ponds, pending public notice and the agencies final permitting determination. Please be aware that a pre-population inspection of all new construction must be completed prior to bringing animals into the lots.

Permit Status: Active/Pending Permit Registration to be Considered after Public Notice and Participation Period has Ended.

After the completion of the public notice and participation period for the proposed registration of your Cattle Feedlot CAFO, the facility will be considered for permitting of 3,500 mature beef cattle. Your facility would be classified as a New, Tier 2 Large Confined CAFO. When the

department notices the proposed CAFO permit registration for your facility, you will receive a copy of the notice.

A new requirement from Senate Bill 85 states that you need to notify all landowners within one-half mile of your proposed facility of the public notice period for your new large CAFO. Your public notice is proposed for May 14, 2025, ending June 18, 2025.

If you have questions about the public noticing and participation process, please contact Charlene Olson, your area Livestock Water Quality Specialist, at (503) 931-7778.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures: AWMP Review Memo

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