

STATE OF WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

PUBLIC NOTICE OF INFORMATIONAL HEARING AND INTENT TO ISSUE A WISCONSIN POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (WPDES) PERMIT No.WI-0067593-01-0

Permittee: River Falls AD1, LLC, W10247 County Road FF, River Falls, WI, 54022

Facility Where Discharge Occurs: River Falls AD1, LLC, W10247 County Road FF

Receiving Water And Location: the groundwaters of the Kinnickinnic River Watershed in the St. Croix River Drainage Basin located in Pierce County

Brief Facility Description : The facility will produce Renewable Natural Gas (RNG) from the anaerobic co-digestion of dairy manure and unwanted food. Dairy manure will be supplied from the Peterson Family Dairy Farm at approximately 9,751 short-ton per year (STPY). Unwanted food (organics) will be delivered via trucks. Liquid organics can be delivered through a camlock system directly into a hydrolysis tank or unloaded within the enclosed Organics Receiving Area (ORA). Liquid organics will total approximately 22,600 STPY. Packaged food materials, separated source organics (SSO), fats, oils and grease (FOG), glycerin, and canned liquids will be delivered within the enclosed ORA at approximately 93,000 STPY. Food materials are macerated into a slurry and fed to the anaerobic digester. The nutrient rich liquid digestate is land applied for agronomic benefit while the solid digestate is land applied or sent to a landfill. Solids from dewatered manure only are sent back to Peterson Dairy Farm to be used as bedding. All removed packaging materials is disposed of according to the facility's Solid Waste Permit.

Permit Drafter's Name, Address, Phone and Email: Angela Parkhurst, 1300 W Clairemont Ave, Eau Claire, WI, 54701, (715) 839-3836, Angela.Parkhurst@wisconsin.gov

Basin Engineer's Name, Address, Phone and Email: Peter Carlson, 890 Spruce Street, Baldwin, WI 54002, (715) 225-2209, Peter.Carlson@wisconsin.gov

The Department has tentatively decided that the above-specified WPDES permit should be issued for this new discharge.

Limitations and conditions which the Department believes adequately protect the receiving water are included in the proposed permit. Land application of waste shall be done in accordance with permit conditions and applicable codes. All land application sites shall be approved prior to their use. To receive a list of approved sites, or to be notified of potential approvals, contact the above-named basin engineer.

Hearing Date, Time, and Location: **Monday, November 24, 2025, 10:30am.**

Virtual Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/join/zoom/register/sD3Z736PSWO8jrR-dkwG6Q>

Hearing Officer, Name, Address, City/State/Zip , and Phone:

Nate Willis, P.E., Cell Phone: (608) 535-2369, nathaniel.willis@wisconsin.gov

The Department of Natural Resources, pursuant to s. 283.49, Wis. Stats, has scheduled for the time and place listed above, a public hearing for the purpose of giving all interested persons an opportunity to make a statement with respect to the above announced permit action for this new discharge.

A hearing officer will conduct the hearing in an orderly and speedy way and will use procedures specified in Subchapter II of ch. NR 203, Wis. Adm. Code, necessary to insure broad public participation in the hearing.

The hearing officer will open the hearing and make a concise statement of the scope and purpose of the hearing and shall state what procedures will be used during the course of the hearing. The hearing officer shall explain the method of notification of the final decision to grant or deny the permit and the methods by which the decision may be reviewed in a public adjudicatory hearing.

The hearing officer may put limits on individual oral statements to ensure an opportunity for all persons present to make statements in a reasonable period of time and to prevent undue repetition. The hearing officer may also limit the number of representatives making oral statements on behalf of any person or group.

Informational and clarifying questions and oral statements shall be directed through the hearing officer.

Cross-examination shall not be allowed.

Persons wishing to comment on or object to the proposed permit action are invited to do so by attending the public hearing or by submitting any comments or objections in writing to the Department of Natural Resources, at the above-named permit drafter's address. All comments or suggestions received from members of the public no later than 7 days following the date of this public hearing will be used, along with other information on file and testimony presented at the hearing, in making a final determination. Where designated as a reviewable surface water discharge permit, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is allowed up to 90 days to submit comments or objections regarding this permit determination.

Information on file for this permit action, including the draft permit, fact sheet and permit application, may be inspected and copied at either the above-named permit drafter's office or the above named basin engineer's office,

Monday through Friday (except holidays), between 9:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Please call the permit drafter or basin engineer for directions to their office location, if necessary. Information on this permit action may also be obtained by calling the permit drafter at (715) 839-3836 or by writing to the Department. Reasonable costs (15 cents per page for copies and 7 cents per page for scanning) will be charged for information in the file other than the public notice, permit and fact sheet. Permit information is also available on the internet at: <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/wastewater/PublicNotices.html>. Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, reasonable accommodation, including the provision of informational material in an alternative format, will be made to qualified individuals upon request.

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