

STATE OF WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

PUBLIC NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF A NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT PLAN AND INTENT TO MODIFY  
A WISCONSIN POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (WPDES) PERMIT No. WI-0062758-04-  
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Permittee: Thistle Dairy LLC, 3006 Lone Elm Rd, Van Dyne, WI, 54979

Facility Where Discharge Occurs: Thistle Dairy LLC, 3006 Lone Elm Road Van Dyne

Receiving Water And Location: Surface water and groundwater within 3006 Lone Elm Road, Van Dyne, WI in the SE ¼ of Section 35, T17N, R16E to the Upper Fox River Watershed, and groundwaters of the state watersheds.

Brief Facility Description: Thistle Dairy LLC is an existing Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation (CAFO). Thistle Dairy LLC is owned and operated by James Thompson. It currently has 4,715 animal units and based on current herd size Thistle Dairy has approximately 335 days of liquid manure storage. Thistle Dairy generates 37,993,066 gallons of liquid manure and process wastewater and 5,934 tons of solid manure annually. Thistle Dairy LLC has a total of 5,103 acres available for land application of manure and process wastewater. Of this acreage, 736 acres are owned, and 4,367 acres are rented

The Department has tentatively decided that the above specified WPDES permit should be reissued.

Permit Drafter's Name, Address, Phone and Email: Makayla Jacobs, DNR, 101 Ogden Rd, Peshtigo, WI, 54157, (920) 573-8033, makayla.jacobs@wisconsin.gov

Persons wishing to comment on or object to the proposed permit action, the terms of the nutrient management plan, or the application, or to request a public informational hearing may write to the Department of Natural Resources at the permit drafter's address. All comments or suggestions received no later than 30 days after the publication date of this public notice will be considered along with other information on file in making a final decision regarding the permit. Anyone providing comments in response to this public notice will receive a notification of the Department's final decision when the permit is re-issued. 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. If no comments are received on the proposed permit from anyone, including U.S. EPA, the permit will be re-issued as proposed.

The Department may schedule a public informational hearing if within 30 days of the public date of this notice, a request for a hearing is filed by any person. The Department shall schedule a public informational hearing if a petition requesting a hearing is received from USEPA or from 5 or more persons or if the Department determines there is significant public interest. Requests for a public informational hearing shall state the following: the name and address of the person(s) requesting the hearing; the interest in the proposed permit of the person(s) requesting the hearing; the reasons for the request; and the issues proposed to be considered at the hearing.

Information on file for this permit action, including the draft permit and fact sheet (if required), the operation's nutrient management plan and application may be inspected and copied at the permit drafter's office, Monday through Friday (except holidays), between 9:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Please call the permit drafter for directions to their office location, if necessary. Information on this permit action may also be obtained by calling the permit drafter at (920) 573-8033 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 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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