

National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit Program

PUBLIC NOTICE & PUBLIC HEARING

NPDES Permit to Beneficially Use Biosolids for Agricultural Purposes

Ohio Environmental Protection Agency
Permits Section
50 West Town St., Suite 700
P. O. Box 1049
Columbus, Ohio 43216-1049
(614) 644-2001

Public Notice No.:	OEPA 19-10-028 DFT
Date of Issue of Public Notice:	Oct-24-2019
Name and Address of Applicant:	Pleasant Home Farm LLC, 8600 E Pleasant Valley Road, Independence, OH, 44131

Name and Location of Facility Where Biosolids Management Occurs:	Wiles Storage Pond, Friendsville & E Pleasant Home Roads, Wooster, OH, 44691, Wayne County
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General Latitude and Longitude:	40N 55' 00" -81W 57' 05"
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Locations for Beneficial Use:	Authorized biosolids beneficial use sites in Wayne, Holmes, Medina, Ashland and Stark Counties.
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Nature of Business:	Earthen lined storage pond for storage of anaerobically digested biosolids from multiple NPDES permitted facilities. This material will be beneficially used on OEPA approved sites at agronomic rates in identified counties.
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Key parameters to be limited in the permit are as follows:	Arsenic, Cadmium, Copper, Lead, Nickel, Zinc, Selenium, Mercury, Fecal Coliform, Molybdenum, Freeboard-feet
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PUBLIC HEARING INFORMATION:

December 4, 2019 beginning at 6:00 PM

**Ohio Agricultural Research and Development Center
Fisher Auditorium
1680 Madison Avenue
Wooster, Ohio 44691**

DEADLINE FOR COMMENTS:	December 11, 2019 by 5 PM
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On the basis of preliminary staff review and application of standards and regulations, the director of the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency proposes to issue a permit for the biosolids storage, beneficial use, and management activities subject to certain effluent conditions and special conditions, and for the monitoring of groundwater. The draft permit will be issued as a final action unless the director revises the draft after consideration of the record of a public meeting/hearing or written comments, or upon disapproval by the administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Any person may submit written comments on the draft permit and administrative record. Following final action by the director, any aggrieved party has the right to appeal to the Environmental Review Appeals Commission.

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments upon the draft biosolids storage, beneficial use, and management permit. Comments should be submitted in person or by mail no later than close of business on December 11, 2019. Comments should be delivered or mailed to both of the following locations: 1) Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, Lazarus Government Center, Division of Surface Water, Permits Processing Unit, 50 West Town St., Suite 700, P.O. Box 1049, Columbus, Ohio 43216-1049 and 2) Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, Northeast District Office 2110 East Aurora Road, Twinsburg, Ohio 44087.

The Ohio EPA permit number and public notice numbers should appear next to the above address on the envelope and on each page of any submitted comments. All comments received no later than December 11, 2019 will be considered.

The determination to issue this draft permit and the conditions and requirements contained within the draft permit were made based on pertinent state and federal regulations and/or laws and on data and information available at the time the permit was drafted, which included the contents of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit application, along with any and all pertinent information available to the Director.

Additionally, this public notice hereby allows the permittee to provide to the Director for consideration during this public comment period, additional site-specific pertinent and factual information with respect to the technical feasibility and economic reasonableness for achieving compliance with permit conditions and requirements. This information shall be submitted to the addresses listed above.

Should the applicant need additional time to review, obtain or develop site-specific pertinent and factual information with respect to the technical feasibility and economic reasonableness of achieving compliance with permit conditions and requirements, written notification for any additional time shall be sent no later than 30 days after the date of this public notice to the Director at the addresses listed above.

The application, permit including effluent limitations, special conditions, comments received, and other documents are available for inspection and may be copied at a cost of 5 cents per page at the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency at the address shown on page one of this public notice, by appointment, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Copies of the public notice are now available on DSW's web site:
<http://www.epa.ohio.gov/dsw/permits/individuals/draftperm.aspx>

Mailing lists are maintained for persons or groups who desire to receive public notice for all applications in the state or for certain geographical areas. Persons or groups may also request copies of fact sheets, applications, or other documents pertaining to specific applications. Persons or groups may have their names put on such a list by making a written request to the agency at the address shown above.