Sunday, September 6, 2020

NRCB - Joe Sonnenberg Application LA 19032 -Courtesy Notice Comer's Pride Farms Ltd. NE 7-7-20W4M

Please be advised that we, Ian and Susan Whishaw, AB of County, AB; owners the following parcel of land:

Roll number770820 NW-6-7-20-4

Are: potentially and directly affected and "OPPOSED" to Application LA 19032 from Corner's Pride Farms Ltd. to construct a new confined feeding operation (CFO) at NE 7-7-20 W4M. We are a family united with our community and propose this application be "DENIED" for the following reasons:

1. My property lies to the south west of the proposed feed lot, but it also abuts directly onto the south east corner to the applicant's property. Although I have only 25 acres in this lot, there are five other houses directly adjacent to my property. Thus, my property is an ideal site for a resident. The accompanying photo 1 shows the entrance to my property at the far end of which is the applicant's property.



2. Although the applicant's site for the feed lot is at the NE corner of his property, his site is the highest point of land south of Township Road 72. The natural slope of the land is to the south west, with my property the center of the flood plane for this area. In the following picture (Picture 2), I show a drain ditch from the west edge of the proposed feed lot that runs south to the south east edge of my property. Here it intersects with an irrigation ditch that runs along the south edge of my property. During the summer, an irrigation ditch to the north of my property and one to the south, are intersected by this southerly running ditch from the proposed site of the feed lot, and are carrying irrigation water to a number of properties. Note the houses to the west and to the east of this drainage ditch. The houses to the west (right on the picture) border the south and the west part of my property. The proposed feed lot at the corner of Township Road 72 and Range Road 205 are just the right adjacent to the ditch that is intersecting the south running ditch at the center of the photo. The gravel is Township Road 72.



3. The water table for this area is very close the surface and in addition there is considerable run off to the flood plain centered on my property. In picture 3, from the same view as Picture 1, shows flooding that occurred in April of 2018. Yes, that is 2-3 feet of water entirely covering my property and extending into the adjacent north and south properties, see across the fences. This is run off from higher ground including the area of the proposed feedlot.



4. It seems to me that placing manure piles, a liquid manure lagoon, and a manure spreading operation on the highest point of this property is just a crazy idea. It risks contaminating the flood plain as well as all of the properties located there.

Yours truly,



Ian Q Whishaw, Sept 6, 2020, County of Lethbridge, Alberta