



Total permitted animal capacity from all permits for this site:
240 milking cows (plus associated dries and replacements)

In consideration of Decision Summary RA23012, Approval RA23012 is issued to:

Name: Ridder Farms Ltd. (the "permit holder")
Address: RR 4 Site 4 Box 11 Ponoka, AB T4J 1R4
Contact person: Deanna Ridder

Permitted construction (based on the submitted site plan):

- Dairy barn - 110 m x 110 m
- Convert the existing milking parlor to calf pens - 11.9 m x 26.2 m

The permit holder shall comply with the requirements of the *Agricultural Operation Practices Act* (AOPA) and the regulations passed pursuant to that Act.

The permit holder shall adhere to the descriptions contained in the filed applications RA23012, RA08010, RA19026, and Ponoka County Development Permit # D-96-11, together with the site plan, building plans, and other attached documents included, unless otherwise noted in the following conditions.

The permit holder shall contact the NRCB at least 10 working days in advance of the desired inspection date to schedule the inspection in conditions 2 and 5.

The permit holder is responsible for all costs associated with monitoring, sampling, testing, and reporting requirements.

Construction conditions

New Dairy Barn

1. The concrete used to construct the liner of the new dairy barn must meet the specifications for category B (liquid manure pits) and category C (solid manure-wet), in Technical Guideline Agdex 096-93 "Non-Engineered Concrete Liners for Manure Collection and Storage Areas." The permit holder shall provide written confirmation, from a qualified third party, confirming that the concrete used for the manure collection and storage areas meets the required specification.
2. The permit holder shall not allow livestock or manure in the new dairy barn, until the facility has been inspected by NRCB personnel and confirmed by them, in writing, to have been constructed in accordance with the terms and conditions of this permit.
3. The permit holder shall complete construction of the manure collection and storage portions of the new dairy barn prior to November 30, 2026. Upon request, this deadline may be extended by the NRCB in writing.



Calf pens (converted from parlour area)

4. The concrete used to construct the liner of the calf pens must meet the specifications for category D (solid manure-dry), in Technical Guideline Agdex 096-93 "Non-Engineered Concrete Liners for Manure Collection and Storage Areas." The permit holder shall provide written confirmation, from a qualified third party, confirming that the concrete used for the manure collection and storage areas meets the required specification.
5. The permit holder shall not allow livestock or manure in the new calf pens, until the facility has been inspected by NRCB personnel and confirmed by them, in writing, to have been constructed in accordance with the terms and conditions of this permit.
6. The permit holder shall complete construction of the manure collection and storage portions of the calf pens prior to November 30, 2026. Upon request, this deadline may be extended by the NRCB in writing.

Operating condition

7. The permit holder shall sample and test raw groundwater from water well #86874, according to water well monitoring requirements prescribed by the NRCB in writing. The NRCB may, based on the monitoring results and at its discretion, revise those requirements from time to time, in writing.

This approval becomes effective immediately. The approval conditions will remain in effect unless amended in writing by the NRCB.

Authorizations RA08010 and RA19026, as well as the deemed registration including municipal permit D-96-11 are hereby superseded, and their content consolidated into this Approval RA23012, unless Approval RA23012 is held invalid following a review and decision by the NRCB's Board members or by a court, in which case Authorizations RA08010 and RA19026, as well as the deemed registration including municipal permit D-96-11, will remain in effect.

May 14, 2024

(Original signed)

Lynn Stone
Approval Officer



Approval RA23012 – Appendix

Existing permitted facilities

Facility	Dimensions (m)	From
Dairy cow barn	42 m x 39.1 m	Municipal Permit No. D-96-11
Extension to dairy barn	32 m x 39.1 m	Authorization RA08010
Earthen Manure Storage (EMS)	80 m x 56 m x 4.5 m	Authorization RA19026
Young stock pens with sheds	40 m x 70 m	Deemed registration