



**Total permitted animal capacity from all permits for this site:**

10,000 chicken layers  
4,000 chicken broilers  
240 milking cows (plus associated dries and replacements)  
1,000 ducks  
300 geese

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In consideration of Decision Summary RA23024, Approval RA23024 is issued to:

Name: Hutterian Brethren Church of O.B. and O.B. Holdings Inc. (the “co-permit holders”)  
Address: Box 40 Marwayne, AB T0B 2X0  
Contact person: Leonard Hofer

**Permitted construction** (based on the submitted site plan):

- Dairy barn – 134.4 m x 43.3 m (441.5 ft. x 142.33 ft.)
- Calf barn – 48.8 m x 33.5 m (160 ft. x 110 ft.)
- Heifer shed – 122.1 m x 30.5 m (400.67 ft x 100 ft.)
- Earthen liquid manure storage (EMS) – 61 m x 61 m x 4.9 m deep (200 ft. x 200 ft. x 16 ft. deep)

**Ancillary facilities:**

- Office attached to dairy barn

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

The co-permit holders shall adhere to the descriptions, the site plan, building plans, engineering reports and other attached documents included with filed Application RA23024. Approval RA15041 must also be adhered to unless otherwise noted in the following conditions.

The co-permit holders shall contact the NRCB at least 10 working days in advance of the desired inspection dates to schedule the inspection in conditions 2, 5, 8, 10, 12, and 13.

The co-permit holders are responsible for all costs associated with monitoring, sampling, testing, recording, and reporting requirements (this includes post construction reports).

**Construction conditions**

Dairy barn

1. The concrete used to construct the liner of the dairy barn must meet the specifications for category B (liquid manure shallow pits) and category C (solid manure – wet), in Technical Guideline Agdex 096-93 “Non-Engineered Concrete Liners for Manure Collection and Storage Areas.” The co-permit holders shall provide written evidence, confirming that the concrete used for the manure collection and storage areas meets the required specifications.



2. The co-permit holders shall not allow livestock or manure in the 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 co-permit holders shall complete construction of the manure collection and storage portions of the dairy barn prior to November 30, 2028. Upon request, this deadline may be extended by the NRCB in writing.

#### Calf barn

4. The concrete used to construct the liner of the calf barn 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 co-permit holders shall provide written evidence, confirming that the concrete used for the manure collection and storage areas meets the required specifications.
5. The co-permit holders shall not allow livestock or manure in the calf 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.
6. The co-permit holders shall complete construction of the manure collection and storage portions of the calf barn prior to November 30, 2028. Upon request, this deadline may be extended by the NRCB in writing.

#### Heifer shed

7. The concrete used to construct the liner of the heifer shed 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 co-permit holders shall provide written evidence, confirming that the concrete used for the manure collection and storage areas meets the required specifications.
8. The co-permit holders shall not allow livestock or manure in the heifer shed, 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.
9. The co-permit holders shall complete construction of the manure collection and storage portions of the heifer shed prior to November 30, 2028. Upon request, this deadline may be extended by the NRCB in writing.

#### EMS

10. The co-permit holders shall not allow manure in the EMS, 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.



11. The co-permit holders shall complete construction of the manure collection portions of the EMS prior to November 30, 2028. Upon request, this deadline may be extended by the NRCB in writing.

**Miscellaneous conditions**

Facility Decommissioning

12. Prior to November 30, 2029, the co-permit holders shall decommission the existing dairy barn, according to Technical Guideline Agdex 096-90, "Closure of Manure Storage Facilities and Manure Collection Areas". Upon request, this deadline may be extended by the NRCB in writing.
13. Prior to November 30, 2029, the co-permit holders shall decommission the existing dairy corrals, according to Technical Guideline Agdex 096-90, "Closure of Manure Storage Facilities and Manure Collection Areas". Upon request, this deadline may be extended by the NRCB in writing.

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

Approval RA15041 is hereby superseded, and its content consolidated into this Approval RA23024, unless Approval RA23024 is held invalid following a review and decision by the NRCB's board members or by a court, in which case Approval RA15041 will remain in effect.

July 19, 2024

(Original signed)

Francisco Echegaray, P.Ag.  
Approval Officer



## Approval RA23024 – Appendix

### Existing permitted facilities

Facility	Dimensions (m)	From
Layer barn	61 m x 15.2 m	Approval RA15041
Manure collection shed	9.1 m x 9.1 m	Approval RA15041
Dairy barn	114.3 m x 15.4 m	Deemed permit To be decommissioned
Dairy corrals	112.8 m x 61 m	Deemed permit To be decommissioned
Manure collection shed	18.3 m x 7.6 m	Deemed permit
Broiler barn	48.8 m x 9.1 m	Deemed permit
Ducks and geese barns		Deemed permit

### Construction conditions (brought forward from Approval RA15041)

1. The concrete used to construct the manure storage and collection system in the chicken layer barn must have a minimum 28-day strength of 25 MPa. The permit holder shall provide a copy of the concrete supplier's invoice, or other proof, to the NRCB to confirm the specifications of the concrete used in the construction. This document must be provided to the NRCB prior to the inspection referenced in condition #3 below or by a later date stated by the NRCB.
2. The concrete used to construct the manure storage and collection system in the manure collection shed must have a minimum 28-day strength of 25 MPa. The permit holder shall provide a copy of the concrete supplier's invoice, or other proof, to the NRCB to confirm the specifications of the concrete used in the construction. This document must be provided to the NRCB prior to the inspection referenced in condition #4 below or by a later date stated by the NRCB.
3. The permit holder shall not place livestock or manure in the layer barn until the facility has been inspected by NRCB personnel and determined by them, in writing, to have been constructed in accordance with the terms and conditions of this permit.
4. The permit holder shall not place manure in the manure collection shed until the facility has been inspected by NRCB personnel and determined by them, in writing, to have been constructed in accordance with the terms and conditions of this permit.
5. The permit holder shall complete construction of the manure collection and storage portions of the CFO facilities prior to December 31, 2017. Upon request, this deadline may be extended by the NRCB in writing.

### Decommissioning of Facilities

6. The permit holder shall decommission their existing layer barn. The decommissioning shall be completed prior to the completion deadline stated in condition #5 above. The decommissioned layer barn can no longer be used to house livestock or store manure.