

PAGEL'S PONDEROSA DAIRY

PROPOSED PERMIT (before advocacy)	FINAL PERMIT (after advocacy)
<p>Effluent Limit or Standard of Performance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No effluent limit in proposed permit • Allowed manure to directly runoff from feedlot or stored manure into waters of the state 	<p>Effluent Limit or Standard of Performance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prohibits any direct runoff from a feedlot or stored manure into waters of the state • Prohibits discharges of pollutants from feedlot, manure storage area, outdoor animal lots, raw materials storage area, milkhouse containment system, or other areas of the operation into navigable waters – except discharges during a 25-year, 24-hour storm or chronic rainfall • Exception for storm-related discharges only applies if facility is properly designed to contain the runoff from a 25-year, 24-hour storm • Facility must be designed and operated to meet surface water quality and groundwater standards at all times.
<p>Nutrient Management</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No plan submitted to DNR at time DNR noticed the public that it would issue the proposed permit • Allowed spreading within 200 feet of surface water if incorporated within 72 hours • Only prohibited spreading on frozen ground if the slope was greater than 9% or field was within 200 feet of surface waters 	<p>Nutrient Management</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DNR held second public hearing after it received nutrient management plan • Discharges of pollutants that cause or contribute to the non-attainment of surface water quality standards or groundwater standards are prohibited • Protections for a Class I trout stream, Little Scarboro Creek Subwatershed, were included: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Land application of manure limited by phosphorus rather than nitrogen. 2. Prohibits spreading within 400 feet of surface water (if not incorporated) 3. Requires immediate incorporation if within 400 feet 4. Prohibits spreading of liquid manure on frozen ground within 400 feet of surface waters and on slopes of 2% or more. 5. Prohibits spreading of solid manure on frozen ground within 400 feet of surface waters or on slopes of 6% or more. 6. Placed a restriction on the maximum amount of manure spread: 14,000 gallons/acre/application

<p>Manure Storage</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No mention of compliance with groundwater standards or effluent limit • Only identified two earthen manure pits • Only required an inspection of earthen pits once a year • Did not require submission of report to DNR • Did not require reporting of discharges of pollutants from manure pit 	<p>Manure Storage</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requires compliance with groundwater standards • Requires compliance with no discharge effluent limitation • Identified three earthen manure pits • Requires quarterly inspection of pits • Requires annual submission of reports to DNR • Requires report to DNR of any discharges to surface water
<p>Runoff Controls</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Did not prohibit polluted runoff from contaminating surface water • Required runoff controls to be operated in accordance with a USDA technical standard, but did not prohibit discharges of pollution • No monitoring required • No inspection reports required • No reports of runoff required • Did not identify outdoor exercise areas for cattle nor did it regulate use of outdoor areas 	<p>Runoff Controls</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prohibits discharges of pollutants and requires compliance with surface water quality standards and groundwater standards • No longer defers to USDA technical standard, but requires runoff controls that permanently control all polluted runoff • Requires monitoring to determine compliance with effluent limit on a quarterly basis • Requires annual submission to DNR of inspection reports • Requires reporting to DNR of all discharges • Requires sod buffers (100% ground cover) around exercise areas and requires pasture conditions in the exercise areas. Prohibits access during wet weather • Requires prevention of feed storage leachate from running down grassed waterway

Even the DNR recognizes that these changes were “a result of the comments received” by the agency.

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