April 7, 2021

Division of Water Quality
Utah Department of Environmental Quality
Public Notice of Intent to Renew Ground Water Discharge Permit
No. UGW310001

Purpose of Public Notice
The Utah Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) is soliciting comments on the request to renew a ground water discharge permit as described below. The ground water discharge permit is issued by the Director of the Division of Water Quality under authority of the Utah Water Quality Act, Section 19-5-106(g) Utah Code Ann. 1953, as amended and Utah Administrative Code R317-6. Under Section 19-1-301.5, effective May 8, 2012, a person who wishes to challenge a Permit Order may only raise an issue or argument during an adjudicatory proceeding that was raised during the public comment period and was supported with sufficient information or documentation to enable the Director to fully consider the substance and significance of the issue. Utah Code Ann. 19-1-301.5 can be viewed at the following internet URL: le.utah.gov/xcode/Title19/Chapter1/19-1-S301.5.html

Permit Information

Permittee: Morgan Ranches Dairy, LLC
Mailing Address: PO Box 188
81 North 100 East
Circleville, UT 84723
Facility Location: One half mile east of Circleville, Utah, Piute Co.

Morgan Ranches Dairy LLC has a ground water discharge permit covering the dairy operation. Manure from the dairy is flushed from the barns and then separated into liquid/solid fractions. The liquid fraction is stored in an anaerobic lagoon and is land applied during the growing season at agronomic rates. The solid fraction is composted and used on available land or sold off site. The permit requires wastes from the lagoon system to be disposed of in a manner that will not cause surface or ground water contamination, following a comprehensive nutrient management plan. Ground Water Quality is monitored in one upgradient and three downgradient monitoring wells with respect to the wastewater lagoon.

Public Comments
Public comments are invited any time through close of business on Friday, May 7, 2021. Written comments may be directed to the Division of Water Quality (DWQ), PO Box 144870, Salt Lake City, UT 84114-4870. All comments received prior to close of business on Friday, May 7, 2021, will be considered in the formulation of final conditions to be imposed on the permit. A public hearing may be held if written requests are received within the first 15 days of this public comment period that demonstrate significant public interest and substantive issues exist to warrant holding a hearing.
**Additional Information**
Additional information may be obtained upon request by contacting Brian Hamos at (801) 536-4384 or bhamos@utah.gov or by writing to the aforementioned address. Related documents are available for review during normal business hours at DWQ, 195 North 1950 West in Salt Lake City or on the DWQ web page at deq.utah.gov/public-notices-archive/water-quality-public-notices.

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