NOTICE OF INTENT TO CONSTRUCT AN ANIMAL FEEDING OPERATION

The department issued public notices for Ratio, LLC's proposed animal feeding operations on July 30, 2019 and August 15th, 2019 to the One Stop Public Notice website. A processing error caused the notices to not be published in The Miller Press and the notice is now being published to The Miller Press and again on the department's One Stop Public Notice website.

Notice is hereby given that the SD Department of Environment and Natural Resources has received an application for state permit coverage under the 2017 *General Water Pollution Control Permit for Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations* for a new animal feeding operation from:

> Kirk A. Aughenbaugh Ratio, LLC 43204 US Highway 14 De Smet, SD 57231

The proposed animal feeding operation will be located in the Northwest ¹/₄ of Section 32, Township 111 North, Range 67 West, in Hand County, approximately nine miles south and one mile east of St. Lawrence. The proposed operation will consist of a housed lot for a maximum of 9,060-head of swine consisting of 800-head of swine weighing less than 55 pounds and 8,260head of swine weighing 55 pounds or more. The proposed manure management system will consist of one GDU barn with a deep pit, one gestation barn with a deep pit, one farrowing barn with shallow pull-plug pits, a gravity transfer pipe between the farrowing barn and the gestation barn, and no acres of drainage area. The designed capacity of the deep pits is for at least 365 days of liquid storage capacity. The manure will be land applied to fields located in portions of the following sections in Hand County:

Sections 5, 6, and 8 in Township 110 North, Range 67 West; and Sections 31 and 32 in Township 111 North, Range 67 West.

Information about the permit application may be obtained from Aviana Knochel with the Department of Environment and Natural Resources by calling (605) 773-3351. Any person desiring to comment on whether the application meets the general permit requirements must submit written comments within thirty (30) days of the publication of this notice. Commenters shall provide their name and address, a statement of the action they wish the department to take, and the facts supporting their position. Comments may be directed to the following address: South Dakota Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Feedlot Permit Program, Joe Foss Building, 523 E. Capitol Ave., Pierre, SD 57501-3182. DENR will consider and address all comments submitted. A copy of this notice and online commenting are available at <u>http://denr.sd.gov/public</u>. A final permit decision will be made after 30 days of this publication notice.

Hunter Roberts Secretary

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