

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS/RECOMMENDATIONS

PROPONENT: MR. BRETT CHRISTIE
PROPOSAL NAME: AGRICORE UNITED
CLASS OF DEVELOPMENT: 1
TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT: BULK HANDLING -
ANHYDROUS AMMONIA STORAGE TANK
CLIENT FILE NO.: 5114.00

OVERVIEW:

On June 13, 2005, Manitoba Conservation received a Proposal dated May 31, 2005, to install and operate a bulk anhydrous ammonia storage tank and distribution facilities located on the NW¼ 35-18-28 WPM in the Rural Municipality of Ellice. The proponent intends to install a 30,000 USGW Anhydrous Ammonia storage vessel, 6 twin delivery units and approximately 35 - 1750 USGW nurse/field tanks. The site will contain water troughs for personal protection. The normal hours of operation are seasonal from 5:00 am to 11:00 pm for 6 weeks in the spring, decreasing to 7:00 am to 8:00 pm for 4 weeks in the fall.

No public concern was received in response to the advertisement of this proposal in the Crossroads, published on Saturday June 25, 2005. The proposal was placed in the Public Registries at the St. James-Assiniboia Public Library, Manitoba Eco-Network, the R.M. of Ellice (as registry) and the Conservation Library (Main). The proposal was distributed to TAC on June 21, 2004, with the closing date for TAC and Public comments on July 25, 2005.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

No public responses were received.

COMMENTS FROM THE TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

Historic Resources Branch has reviewed the proposal and has no concerns with regard to this project's potential to impact heritage resources.

Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency state that based on their staff survey, application of the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act* with respect to this proposal is not required.

Sustainable Resource Management state that no concerns have been expressed to the Branch

Community Planning Services state that under the Carlton Trail Planning District Development Plan (By-law 1-2002) the proposed development is located within an area designated A – "Agriculture / Rural Area" and the proposed use is consistent with the goals, objectives and policies for this designation. The Rural Municipality of Ellice has in place an adopted municipal zoning by-law. The subject property is zoned "AG" –

Agricultural General and would required a conditional use permit. The required variation and conditional use order was obtained by the proponent on June 8, 2005.

Regional Health Authority has reviewed the proposal and their concerns include that containment measures meet guidelines, inventory lists are maintained and an emergency response plan is development.

Disposition:

The concerns are addressed in the draft licence.

Transportation & Government Services state the department has no major concerns provided the project site is no closer to Provincial trunk Highway (PTH) 16. They also state that a permit will be required for any new or modified access onto Provincial Road (PR) 359, and /or for any structure within 125' (38.1 m) of the edge of PR 359 right-of-way.

Disposition:

The information was provided to the proponent.

Petroleum Branch state they have no comments or concerns regarding this proposal.

PUBLIC HEARING:

No public hearing will be conducted.

RECOMMENDATION:

TAC concerns are addressed in the draft licence.

The responsibility for enforcement of the Licence should remain with Approvals Branch until the proponent complies with Clauses 7, 10, 13, and 14.

A draft Environment Act Licence is attached for the Director's consideration.

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