



Report Date: August 13, 2019

File: 108368

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Rhoda Friesen
5021 Parkinson Road
Armstrong, BC V0E 1B4

Dear Rhoda Friesen

Re: Notice Letter, Pollution Abatement Order 108368, Rhoda Mavis Friesen, Armstrong, BC, Effluent

On August 06, 2019, Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy, Environmental Protection Division staff conducted an inspection of your facility, located at Rhoda 5021 Parkinson Road, Armstrong, BC with Pollution Abatement Order number 108368 under the *Environmental Management Act*.

Inspection Details:

Requirement Description:	4: Retain a Qualified Professional to identify drainage management measures necessary to effectively control runoff and to ensure that solids, leachate, contaminated runoff and drift from sprayed materials do not enter watercourses or any source of water for irrigation or drinking purposes or leave the property. Implement drainage management measures identified by the Qualified Professional by July 31, 2016.
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Details/Findings:	<p>Inspection Summary</p> <p>On August 6, 2018, Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy (Ministry) Senior Environmental Protection Officer Colin Meldrum (Officer Meldrum) conducted a file review inspection of the Friesen Farm (Friesen), located on Parkinson Road, Armstrong BC. The purpose of the inspection was to verify compliance with Pollution Abatement Order 108368 (Order), dated May 12, 2016.</p> <p>The inspection period was from January 1, 2019 to August 6, 2019.</p> <p>Compliance Assessment</p> <p>Ruth McDougall (MSc, PAg) was retained as a Qualified Professional and identified drainage management measures in the 2017 Farm Book (Friesen Farm Book - 2017, dated October 23, 2017). The 2017 Farm Book stated that an impermeable concrete pad surface was to be constructed adjacent to the barn in fall 2017. The pad was to be constructed so that water from rain or snow melt could not run onto the concrete pad. The manure would be covered with a tarp during the 24 hour period of temporary storage before being hauled off-site so that no leachate can runoff the pad during rain events.</p> <p>Wayne Friesen stated during an on-site inspection on November 16, 2017 that the concrete pad would be constructed in May 2018. Mr. Friesen stated in a telephone conversation on July 30, 2018 that the concrete pad had not yet been constructed because the contractor was not available. Mr. Friesen stated in a telephone conversation on May 3, 2019 that the concrete pad had been constructed. Mr. Friesen provided photographic evidence in a text message on August 6, 2019 that the concrete pad was constructed.</p>
Compliance:	In

Compliance History:

2018-07-30 IR74033 - Warning: failure to implement drainage management measures

2016-07-12 IR29167 - Investigation Referral: failure to retain a QP to prepare a farm book; failure to publicly post farm book; failure to implement drainage management measures and establish manure storage facilities

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- General compliance information: <http://www.gov.bc.ca/environmentalcompliance>
- Non-Compliance Decision Matrix information: <http://www.gov.bc.ca/environment/how-compliance-is-assessed>
- Reporting and data submission requirements (to be sent to EnvAuthorizationsReporting@gov.bc.ca):
<http://www.gov.bc.ca/submit-waste-authorization-reports>

Please be advised that this inspection report may be published on the provincial government website within 7 days.

If you have any questions about this letter, please contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

Colin Meldrum
Environmental Protection Officer

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