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Michael Foods Irrigation Complaint

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Thu, May 4, 2023 at 11:50 AM

Heather,

I was the one assigned to investigate the complaint you emailed to Jeremy Klatt regarding wastewater land application by Michael Foods last week. In response to the complaint, I completed a full inspection of the facility yesterday and I just wanted to follow up with you.

Michael Foods had a new permit issued April 1, 2021. The new permit is a standardized (boilerplate) permit that is issued to all land application systems. I have attached a copy of their current permit for your information. Unfortunately, this new permit does not contain the same requirements as the previous permit. There are no restrictions in the current permit for wind speed during application. The application must occur within the field boundaries and they are prohibited from discharging wastewater (including surface runoff), but they no longer have a provision regarding pooling or ponding of the wastewater.

Other violations were noted during my inspection and they will be issued a Notice of Violation, but no violations were noted regarding the actual application method/timing/conditions. If you have any questions or wish to discuss the matter further, please call me on my cell phone.

Thanks,



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