



Washington State Department of Agriculture
Dairy Nutrient Management Program
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Dairy Nutrient Management Program - Inspection Report

Facility Information

Business Name: Western Valley Farms, LLC #1

Business Type: Cow Dairy

Status: Active

AG ID No: 31307

License Issue Date: 11/29/2023

Site Address: 4701 Scoon Road Sunnyside, WA 98944

Mailing Address: 4701 Scoon Road Sunnyside, WA 98944

County: Yakima

Region: EA

CAFO Permit Status: Active

Permit Type: Combined

Permit ID: WAG015020

Issue Date: 11/01/2023

Facility Contact(s)	Business	Other	Cell	Email
Operator Steve Boon	360-661-1316			wvfsteve@gmail.com

Inspection Report

Inspection Type: Initial

Date of Inspection: 01/24/2024 **Arrival Time:** 2:30 PM **Departure Time:** 3:30 PM

WSDA Inspector(s): Obadiah Sheriff

Other(s) Attending: Steve Boon, Michael Isensee, and Franklin Johnson

Compliance Activity

Overall Compliance ☒ In Compliance

Follow Up Activity

☒ NMP Updates

Issue	Follow Up Date	Outstanding	Corrected	Referred
Create and get a nutrient mgmt. plan (NMP) approved by the local Conservation District within 6 months of licensing	5/30/2024	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Dairy and Conservation District both certify all NMP practices are in place and functional within 2 years of licensing	11/28/2025	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Register with Dairy Nutrient Mgmt. Program within 60 days of licensing		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

For questions about this inspection, please contact:

Obadiah Sheriff
Dairy Nutrient Management Program
GWMA Specialist

Cell: 509-212-3750
Fax : 360-902-2000
Email: obadiah.sheriff@agr.wa.gov

DNMP-WSDA
PO Box 42560
Olympia, WA 98504

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance Needed ☒ Yes ☐ No

Please contact the Conservation District by May 15, 2024, to obtain your Nutrient Management Plan (NMP) For all issues where the referred box is checked, please work with the CD to resolve the issue. The local CD may be able to provide planning or financial assistance. A copy of this report has been provided to the CD as well, however you are responsible for contacting them to request their services.

Conservation District contact:
South Yakima
PO Box 1766
Zillah, WA 98953
509-829-9025
RH@sycd.us

Inspector Comments

Dear Steve Boon,

Thank you for your time to do your initial inspection on January 24, 2024. It was good meeting you and seeing your operations. Please keep doing the good work!

As a Dairy operation facility, you are required to have a Nutrient Management Plan (NMP). Please make sure that you have your NMP written and approved by **May 30, 2024**.

Please contact the South Yakima Conservation District (SYCD) to obtain your NMP. Their contact number is **509-829-9025**, or you can send an email to **RH@sycd.us**

Also we talked about reaching out to a crop consultant for assistance with crop and soil consulting or lagoons engineering. Below are few recommendations you can reach out to:

Scott Stephen
Soil Scientist, CCA, NRCS-TSP
Agrimanagement, Inc.
(509) 949-8843 cell
(509) 453-4851
sstephen@agrimgt.com

N3 Consulting
Phone: 360 815 4851
Address: 5685 Bench Lane, Everson, WA 98247

You can also find crop consultants that are available in your area by searching through this link below.
<https://www.certifiedcropadviser.org/certifications/professional-search>

Please feel free to contact me if you have any question regarding this report or need any assistance.

Best,
Obadiah Sheriff
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Infrastructure

Main Facility		All slurry around the milking facility flows by gravity to a separator then it is pump to either east or west lagoons.
	Eastside Lagoon	Adequately managed, no vegetation, and operated below freeboard at time of inspection.
	Westside Lagoon	Adequately managed, no vegetation, and it is below freeboard at time of inspection.

	<u>Collection Pit</u> Pit		Collection pit was functioning well at the time of inspection
	<u>Feed Area</u> Feed	• Effluent directed to storage	Effluent was well taken care of at the time of inspection. Producer uses straws and compost for bedding and all effluent were directed to the storage pit.
	<u>Mortalities</u>	• Rendered	The producer Plans to render all mortalities
	<u>Solids</u> Solid		Solids are composted, planed to export and apply on all fields

Comments:

Recordkeeping ☒ N/A

Agronomy ☒ N/A

Nutrient Management Plan Information ☒ N/A

Application Assessment ☒ N/A