

FREEBORN COUNTY MINNESOTA RESOLUTION #25-132

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2024 COUNTY FEEDLOT OFFICER ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO MINNESOTA ADMINISTRATIVE RULES, CHAPTER 7020.1600 SUBP. 2J.**

**WHEREAS**, FREEBORN COUNTY is currently party to the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency's County Animal Feedlot Delegation Agreement in accordance with Minnesota Administrative Rules Ch. 7020, as approved, adopted, and signed by the Board of Commissioners on 02/05/02.

**WHEREAS**, Minn. Rules Ch. 7020.1600 Subp. 2J. requires that the County Feedlot Officer Annual Report be reviewed and signed by the County annually.

**WHEREAS**, the Freeborn County Feedlot Officer has submitted the 2024 County Feedlot Officer Annual Report along with the Successful Year End Review letter from the MN Pollution Control Agency to the Board of Commissioners that summarizes and shows the successful completion of the Feedlot Delegation Agreement Work Plan for 2024.

**BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED**, the Freeborn County Board of Commissioners approves the 2024 County Feedlot Officer Annual Report.

**BY THE BOARD**

  
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Commissioner Brad Edwin

Attest:   
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County Administrator Melanie Aeschliman

**Adopted this 15<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025**



# 2024 County Feedlot Officer (CFO) Annual Report

(Data for the Period: January 1, 2024 - December 31, 2024)

Revised: 1/13/25

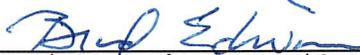
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(Signature of County Board Commissioner)

4.17.18  
(Date)

All data must be entered in accordance with the Annual CFO Report Guidance Document.

Except where identified, this report only addresses **non-CAFO/NPDES/SDS sites** required by 7020 to be registered.

STAFFING LEVEL											
1	FTEs - (Full Time Equivalents) supplied by the CFO(s):						0.7				
2	FTEs supplied by other county staff, including administrative and support staff assigned to the feedlot program:						0				
3	FTEs supplied through contract with other local government units:						0				
4	Total Number of FTE positions that supported county program:						0.7				
REGISTRATION (Report your current numbers - base grant numbers are displayed for reference)						Base	Current				
5	Feedlots in shoreland with 10 - 49 AU:						2	3			
6	Feedlots with 50 - 299 AU:						136	102			
7	Non-CAFO/NPDES/SDS ≥ 300 AU:						50	50			
8	CAFOs without NPDES or SDS permits 300-999 AU ("Gap Sites")						4	7			
9	Feedlots with NPDES or SDS permits:						33	27			
10	<b>Total - Feedlots required to be registered:</b>						<b>225</b>	<b>189</b>			
11	<b>Total - Feedlots Eligible for Funding (FROM AGENCY BASE GRANT AWARD NUMBER)</b>							<b>225</b>			
Feedlot Sites Inspected						Minimum number of FEEDLOT SITES required to register that must be inspected (7%):					
12	Number of <b>FEEDLOT SITES</b> that received a compliance, construction, desktop N&P, or in-field land app inspection (count in-field land app inspections as 1/2 of an inspection)						16				
INSPECTION REPORTING											
Types of Inspections (at sites required to be registered)				10 - 49 AU	50 - 299 AU	300 or more AU					
Only count first instance of each type of inspection per feedlot				(in shoreland)	(except where noted)	(Non-CAFO/NPDES/SDS)					
13	Compliance inspections			1	12	3					
	13.1) How many included a 3 or 6-yr P records inspection (see guidance)					2					
14	Construction inspections			0	0	0					
	14.1) How many received a 2nd construction inspection			0	0	0					
15	Desktop N & 3 or 6-yr P records inspection (see guidance) (P review as part of a compliance inspection should be reported in 13.1)				0	100+ AU & in DWSMA					
16	In-field land application inspection			0	0	0					
17	Complaint initiated inspections (any non-CAFO/NPDES/SDS)			0	0	0					
18	Routine or follow-up stockpile only inspection			0	0	0					
Other Inspection Related Info											
19	CAFO/NPDES/SDS sites inspected at the MPCA's request						0				
20	Number of feedlots inspected within shoreland or a DWSMA						1				
21	Number of feedlots inspected within the County's priority areas as designated in the work plan						16				
22	Number of sites inspected found to be non-compliant with water quality discharge standards						1				
23	Number of sites inspected with 100+ AU found to be non-compliant with N and/or P requirements						3				
INSPECTION Performance Credits (Summarized from entries above)							Total	Not PC eligible	PC eligible	PC	PC Total
NOTE: Inspections assumed to satisfy the 7% minimum are not PC eligible											
24	Compliance inspections			<i>min. # of compliance inspections: 8</i>			16	16	0	3	0
25	Construction inspections						0	0	0	2	0
26	Desktop N & 3 or 6-yr P records inspections (see guidance)						0	0	0	3	0
27	In-field land application inspections						0	0	0	1	0
28	Compliance inspections that include optional P review								2	1	2
29	Number of facilities that received 2 or more construction inspections								0	1	0
30	CAFO/NPDES/SDS sites inspected at the MPCA's request								0	1	0
31	Complaint initiated inspections (any non-CAFO/NPDES/SDS) (only count 1 per feedlot)								0	1	0
32	Routine or follow-up stockpile only inspection. (only count 1 per feedlot)								0	0.5	0

## Additional Performance Credit Calculations and Supplemental Information

Describe below the progress made in meeting your program year work plan inspection goals. You must provide quantitative results for each compliance inspection and land application goal listed in your work plan.

Feedlot registrations updates were continued. Registrations for the 2025 cycle are nearing complete. There are 10 registrations (including 1 NPDES site) that need to be completed by 12/31/2025. (update on 3/11/25 - registrations complete and numbers updated on annual report from tableau numbers)

As per the workplan, the 7% inspection rate was met. Much like the last few years, the focus was to go out to sites that had not been inspected for some time, or sites that have no record of an inspection. The purpose of this method is to educate and meet operators that have not had an inspection, or have not had an inspection for quite some time and help them become familiar with MN Feedlot Rule and meet the CFO. Due to this strategy, most sites were between 50-299 animal units, but still within the work plan strategy. After completing inspections and meeting with operators, I believe that this has been effective in educating operators about manure application guidelines, record keeping, etc.

At the Freeborn County Fair, there was a station for producers to stop and ask questions, etc. Additionally, producers were given the opportunity to update registrations.

On 9/26/24, I made a presentation about our feedlot program at the Albert Lea Artworks Center.

PERMITTING		Number	PC	PC Total
33	30-day construction or expansion notifications received:	0	---	---
34	Interim Permits Issued or Modified:	0	6	0
35	Construction Short-Form Permits Issued or Modified at Sites $\geq$ 300 AU:	0	4	0
36	Public meetings held for construction or expansion to $\geq$ 500 AU:	0	---	---
ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW (EAW)		Number	PC	PC Total
37	EAW petitions received:	0	---	---
38	EAWs prepared by county:	0	8	0
EMERGENCY RESPONSE		Number	PC	PC Total
39	Events where emergency response was conducted: (on-site visit)	0	4	0
ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS		Number	PC	PC Total
40	Letters of Warning (LOW) issued:	2	---	---
41	Notices of Violation (NOV) issued:	2	---	---
42	Court actions commenced:	0	---	---
FEEDLOT SITE SCHEDULED COMPLIANCE (Achieved in current reporting year)		Number	PC	PC Total
43	Feedlots where a partial environmental upgrade was achieved:	0	---	---
44	Feedlots where a complete environmental upgrade was achieved:	0	12	0
LAND APPLICATION SCHEDULED COMPLIANCE (Achieved in current reporting year)		Number	PC	PC Total
45	Land application <u>record keeping</u> returned to compliance at Feedlots <b>100 - 299 AU</b> :	0	1	0
46	Land application <u>record keeping</u> returned to compliance at Feedlots <b>300+ AU</b> (or 100+ DWSMA):	1	2	2
47	Nitrogen application <u>rate</u> returned to compliance (any size facility):	0	1	0
LMSA CLOSURE (Achieved in current reporting year)		Number	PC	PC Total
48	Sites where a LMSA was closed (verified by field inspection or producer notification):	3	6	18

OWNER ASSISTANCE AND OUTREACH		Number	PC	PC Total
49	Sites visited to provide assistance	0	---	---
50	Workshops/trainings hosted/sponsored by the CFO:	0	6	0
	50.1) Total number of feedlot owners attending these events	0	---	---
51	CFO presentations at informational or producer group events: (per event)	1	3	3
52	Number of mailings to feedlot owners:	0	---	---
53	Feedlot articles placed in newspapers and/or social media:	0	---	---

Describe your workshops, trainings, newsletters, mailings, articles, or other assistance and outreach activities.

Date	Description
30-Jul	Freeborn County Fair (7/30 - 8/4/24). Freeborn County Environmental Services had a booth, and employees were available to answer questions. Additionally, the Freeborn County CFO attended various events (4H shows, etc), and walked the fairgrounds talking to producers, etc. Feedlot operators had the opportunity to update their registrations, as well as ask any questions they may have.
26-Sep	Presentation at Albert Lea Artworks Center.

CFO TRAINING AND MENTORING		Number	PC	PC Total
54	CFO - training CEUs: (Enter total training hours earned & list events below - see guidance for more than 18 hr)	32.5	0.5	6
55	Hours mentoring New CFOs in another county (describe on a separate sheet):	0	0.5	0

List the training events attended.

Date	Description	Hours
January	January 2024 - WebEX: MPCA Engineer Assistance and Data Practices	1.5
February	February 2024 - WebEX: CI Project, permit, tempo...	1
March	March 2024 - MACFO	13.5
April	April 2024 - 2025 funding, inspection prep, data entry, land app...	1.5
May	May 2024 - WebEX: Construction Stormwater	1
May	May 2024 - Spring Regional Meeting	4
July	July 2024 - WebEX: DAWP, Foreign animal disease, biosecurity...	1.5
September	September 2024 - WebEX: 2025 WAL updates, South MN Soil Water Presentation...	1.5
October	October 2024 - WebEX: County Feedlot Program Enforcement Process	1.5
November	November 2024 - Spring Regional Meeting	4
December	December 2024 - WebEX: 2024 Annual CFO Reporting	1.5

OTHER PROGRAM ACTIVITIES		Number	PC	PC Total
56	Feedlots where a MinnFARM was conducted (list sites below):	0	2	0
57	Notifications received claiming air quality exemptions:	13	---	---
58	Meetings with other local government and producer groups:	0	---	---
59	Feedlot ordinance revisions likely, in progress, or completed? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No			

MinnFARM completed by CFO registration no.   Site Name		Describe other county program activities not identified elsewhere.

TEMPO DATA ENTRY - completed by MPCA staff via TEMPO review		Max Eligible PC	PC Earned
60	Reviewed registration files have ALL documentation uploaded to TEMPO (if applicable)	4	4
61	All four inspection files have ALL documentation uploaded to TEMPO	4	4
62	Both permit files have ALL documentation uploaded to TEMPO	8	n/a
63	90% of inspection data entered within 60 days of inspection	4	4
64	All applicable inspection files for sites >100 AU contain land application records	4	4

<b>TOTAL PERFORMANCE CREDITS</b>	<b>47.00</b>
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