Date of Notice: March 3, 2020

Name and address of facility:
Crites Farms
1660 Glenburg Road
Bryan, Ohio 43506

Name and address of applicants:
Jay Crites
2487 Mulligan Bluff Road
Ney, Ohio 43548

In accordance with OAC rule 901:10-6-01, public notice is hereby given that the Ohio Department of Agriculture (ODA) is accepting comments on a draft Permit to Install (PTI) and a draft Permit to Operate (PTO) for the proposed facility called “Crites Farm” which will be located at 1660 Glenburg Road, Bryan, City, Ohio 43506 in Defiance County, Tiffin Township in the Tiffin Watershed. If the final permit is issued, the PTO would be valid for five years.

An open house and public meeting will be held on April 9, 2020 in the EMA room of the Defiance County Emergency Operating Center located at 22491 Mill Street Defiance, Ohio 43512. The open house will begin at 4:00 p.m. The public meeting will begin at 4:30 p.m. to obtain additional information limited to the criteria applicable to the permit noticed herein. A recording of the public meeting will be made to ensure accuracy. Interested parties may appear and submit oral or written comments concerning the permit; or may submit written comments to: lepp@agri.ohio.gov or the Ohio Department of Agriculture, Division of Livestock Environmental Permitting (DLEP), 8995 East Main Street, Reynoldsburg, Ohio 43068; (614)387-0470. Comments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. April 2020. Comments received after April 16, 2020 will not be considered.

A copy of the draft permit can be obtained by submitting a public records request using the following link: https://agri.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/oda/divisions/legal-office/public-records-site-area. Any person may submit written

The Division of Livestock Environmental Permitting maintains an “interested parties” list for each Ohio county and well as a statewide list for notification of all draft permits. If you would like to be added to either or both lists, please send a request to lepp@agri.ohio.gov or call 614-387-0470 -end-
Crites Farms
Draft Permit to Install and Draft Permit to Operate

General overview of the farm
The existing sheep facility named “Crites Farms” is located at 1660 Glenburg Road, Bryan, Ohio 43506. It is situated in Defiance County, in Tiffin Township, which is in the Tiffin River watershed. Currently, the facility has a design capacity of 100 sheep housed in one barn. The facility is owned and operated by Jay Crites.

General overview of the draft Permit to Install
The draft Permit to Install (PTI) proposes to construct a new swine finishing barn at the site, which would house 4,800 swine weighing more than 55 pounds. The new barn would have a large concrete pit located below the slatted floor capable of storing up to 1,955,392 gallons of liquid manure, which would provide over a year’s worth of storage. In addition, the proposed construction would include a new mortality compost structure capable of storing up to 6,480 cubic feet of composted mortality material, which would provide more than two years’ worth of storage.

General overview of the draft Permit to Operate
Within the draft PTO, a manure management plan is provided which outlines different inspections and monitoring activities that must be completed. After the proposed construction, the facility would produce an estimated 1,092,084 gallons of liquid swine manure and 26.2 tons of solid sheep manure annually. In addition, the facility would generate an estimated 31.5 tons of mortality compost material each year. The facility would land apply all the manure and mortality compost material under their control as an organic alternative to commercial fertilizers on 895 acres in a crop rotation that includes corn, soybeans, and wheat.

A detailed Insect and Rodent Control Plan is required to minimize the presence and negative effects of insects and rodents. The plan details which types of pests could potentially cause problems and how the facility will prevent those problems from occurring. The plan explains what preventative measures and treatments are available and how and when they might be employed. Details regarding the Insect and Rodent Control Plan can be found in the draft PTO.

A Mortality Management Plan is required for the disposal of dead livestock. Approved methods of disposal are burying, landfilling, burning, rendering and composting. The facility proposes to utilize composting as the primary method for managing swine mortality losses.

An Emergency Response Plan is required to ensure that emergencies are handled quickly and efficiently to maintain the safety of the environment, wildlife and water supplies and resources. The plan also identifies procedures to be followed during an emergency, such as a spill or discharge, as well as contact information for those who need to be notified in the event of an emergency.

Finally, an Operating Record is included that provides all forms and information that must be maintained by the facility to show compliance with ODA’s rules and the permit. These records document inspection of the manure storage structures, groundwater sampling, manure characterization, land application, insect
and rodent control, distribution and utilization of manure and mortality management. The facility and its records will be regularly inspected by the ODA to ensure compliance. -End-
Date of Notice: March 4, 2020

Name and address of facility:
Hillside Acres
22051 Road 48
Grover Hill, Ohio 45849

Name and address of applicants:
Hillside Acres LLC
2684 County Road 151
Grover Hill, Ohio 45849

In accordance with OAC rule 901:10-6-01, public notice is hereby given that the Ohio Department of Agriculture (ODA) is accepting comments on a draft Permit to Install (PTI) and a draft Permit to Operate (PTO) for the expansion for the facility called “Hillside Acres” which is located at 22051 Road 48 Grover Hill, Ohio 45849 in Paulding County, Washington Township in the Auglaize Watershed. Construction of an additional barn is proposed at a nearby site located at 4500 Road 187 Grover Hill, Ohio 45849 in Paulding County, Washington Township in the Auglaize Watershed. If the final permits are issued, the PTI will be valid for two years, and the PTO would be valid for five years.

The open house and public meeting will be held on April 9, 2020 at the Black Swamp Nature Center, which is located at 705 Fairground Drive, Paulding, Ohio 45879. The open house will begin at 7:30 p.m. The public meeting will begin at 8:00 p.m. to obtain additional information limited to the criteria applicable to the permit noticed herein. A recording of the public meeting will be made to ensure accuracy. Interested parties may appear and submit oral or written comments concerning the permit; or may submit written comments to: lepp@agri.ohio.gov or the Ohio Department of Agriculture, Division of Livestock Environmental Permitting (DLEP), 8995 East Main Street, Reynoldsburg, Ohio 43068; (614)387-0470. Comments must be received no later than 5:00 pm, April 16, 2020. Comments received after April 16, 2020 will not be considered.

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Hillside Acres
Draft Permit to Install and Draft Permit to Operate

General overview of the farm
The existing swine facility named “Hillside Acres” consists of three swine finishing barns situated on two adjoining parcels located at 22051 Road 48 and 3750 Road 187, Grover Hill, Ohio. The facility is located in Paulding County, Washington Township in the Auglaize River Watershed. It is owned and operated by Hillside Acres LLC of Grover Hill, Ohio. Currently the facility’s three finishing barns have a total combined design capacity of 8,800 swine weighing more than 55 pounds.

General overview of the draft Permit to Install
The draft Permit to Install (PTI) proposes to construct a new swine finishing barn to be located on an adjoining parcel located at 4500 Road 187, Grover Hill, Ohio. The proposed barn would have a design capacity of 4,800 swine weighing more than 55 pounds. It would have a large concrete pit located below the slatted floor capable of storing up to 2,260,400 gallons of liquid manure, which would provide over a year’s worth of storage. After completion of the proposed expansion, the facility would have a total of four barns with a total combined design capacity of 13,600 swine weighing more than 55 pounds.

General overview of the draft Permit to Operate
Within the draft PTO, a manure management plan is provided which outlines different inspections and monitoring activities that must be completed. After the proposed expansion, the facility would produce an estimated 3,047,260 gallons of liquid manure annually. In addition, the facility would generate about 105 tons of mortality compost material each year. The facility would land apply all the manure and mortality compost material under their control as an organic alternative to commercial fertilizers on 2,039 acres in a crop rotation that includes corn, soybeans, and wheat.

A detailed Insect and Rodent Control Plan is required to minimize the presence and negative effects of insects and rodents. The plan details which types of pests could potentially cause problems and how the facility will prevent those problems from occurring. The plan explains what preventative measures and treatments are available and how and when they might be employed. Details regarding the Insect and Rodent Control Plan can be found in the draft PTO.

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Finally, an Operating Record is included that provides all forms and information that must be maintained by the facility to show compliance with ODA’s rules and the permit. These records document inspection of the manure storage structures, groundwater sampling, manure characterization, land application, insect
and rodent control, distribution and utilization of manure and mortality management. The facility and its records will be regularly inspected by the ODA to ensure compliance. -End-