

January 20, 2023

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**RE: Notice of Final Action - Authority to Construct**  
**Facility Number: C-5356**  
**Project Number: C-1191947**

Dear Mr. Sola:

The Air Pollution Control Officer has issued the Authority to Construct permits to Dixie Creek Ranch for construction of a freestall barn over existing open corrals and modification of the current herd limits from 5,000 milk cows not to exceed a combined total of 5,890 mature cows (milk and dry combined) and 700 support stock to 6,500 milk cows and no support stock, at 3601 Lacey Blvd, Hanford. Enclosed are the Authority to Construct permits and a copy of the notice of final action that has been posted on the District's website ([www.valleyair.org](http://www.valleyair.org)).

Notice of the District's preliminary decision to issue the Authority to Construct permits was posted on December 13, 2022. The District's analysis of the proposal was also sent to CARB on December 13, 2022. No comments were received following the District's preliminary decision on this project.

Also enclosed is an invoice for the engineering evaluation fees pursuant to District Rule 3010. Please remit the amount owed, along with a copy of the attached invoice, within 60 days.

**Samir Sheikh**  
Executive Director/Air Pollution Control Officer

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Mr. Vincent Sola  
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Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Errol Villegas at (559) 230-6000.

Sincerely,



Brian Clements  
Director of Permit Services

BC:tb

Enclosures

cc: Courtney Graham, CARB (w/ enclosure) via email

Facility # C-5356  
DIXIE CREEK RANCH  
2911 HANFORD ARMONA RD  
HANFORD, CA 93230

## **AUTHORITY TO CONSTRUCT (ATC)**

### **QUICK START GUIDE**

1. **Pay Invoice:** Please pay enclosed invoice before due date.
2. **Fully Understand ATC:** Make sure you understand ALL conditions in the ATC prior to construction, modification and/or operation.
3. **Follow ATC:** You must construct, modify and/or operate your equipment as specified on the ATC. Any unspecified changes may require a new ATC.
4. **Notify District:** You must notify the District's Compliance Department, at the telephone numbers below, upon start-up and/or operation under the ATC. Please record the date construction or modification commenced and the date the equipment began operation under the ATC. A startup inspection may be required prior to receiving your Permit to Operate.
5. **Source Test:** Schedule and perform any required source testing. See [http://www.valleyair.org/busind/comply/source\\_testing.htm](http://www.valleyair.org/busind/comply/source_testing.htm) for source testing resources.
6. **Maintain Records:** Maintain all records required by ATC. Records are reviewed during every inspection (or upon request) and must be retained for at least 5 years. Sample record keeping forms can be found at [http://www.valleyair.org/busind/comply/compliance\\_forms.htm](http://www.valleyair.org/busind/comply/compliance_forms.htm).

By operating in compliance, you are doing your part to improve air quality for all Valley residents.

**For assistance, please contact District Compliance staff at  
any of the telephone numbers listed below.**

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# AUTHORITY TO CONSTRUCT

**PERMIT NO:** C-5356-1-4

**ISSUANCE DATE:** 01/20/2023

**LEGAL OWNER OR OPERATOR:** DIXIE CREEK RANCH  
**MAILING ADDRESS:** 2911 HANFORD ARMONA RD  
HANFORD, CA 93230

**LOCATION:** 3601 LACEY BLVD  
HANFORD, CA 93230

**EQUIPMENT DESCRIPTION:**  
MODIFICATION OF 5,000 COW MILKING OPERATION WITH ONE 100 STALL PARALLEL MILKING PARLOR AND ONE 100 STALL ROTARY MILKING PARLOR: INCREASE MILK COW HERD SIZE FROM 5,000 TO 6,500

## CONDITIONS

1. Upon presentation of appropriate credentials, a permittee shall allow an authorized representative of the District to enter the permittee's premises where a permitted source is located or emissions related activity is conducted, or where records must be kept under condition of the permit. [District Rule 1070]
2. Upon presentation of appropriate credentials, a permittee shall allow an authorized representative of the District to have access to and copy, at reasonable times, any records that must be kept under the conditions of the permit. [District Rule 1070]
3. This permit does not authorize the violation of any conditions established for this facility in the Conditional Use Permit (CUP), Special Use Permit (SUP), Site Approval, Site Plan Review (SPR), or other approval documents issued by a local, state, or federal agency. [Public Resources Code 21000-21177: California Environmental Quality Act]
4. If a licensed veterinarian or a certified nutritionist determines that any VOC mitigation measure will be required to be suspended as a detriment to animal health or necessary for the animal to molt, the owners/operators must notify the District in writing within forty-eight (48) hours of the determination including the duration and the specific health condition requiring the mitigation measure to be suspended. If the situation is expected to exist longer than a thirty-day (30) period, the owner/operator shall submit a new emission mitigation plan designating a mitigation measure to be implemented in lieu of the suspended mitigation measure. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
5. Permittee shall flush or hose milk parlor immediately prior to, immediately after, or during each milking. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]

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Samir Sheikh, Executive Director / APCO



Brian Clements, Director of Permit Services

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6. Permittee shall provide verification that milk parlors are flushed or hosed prior to, immediately after, or during each milking. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
7. Permittee shall keep and maintain all records for a minimum of five (5) years and shall make records available to the APCO and EPA upon request. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]

# AUTHORITY TO CONSTRUCT

**PERMIT NO:** C-5356-2-5

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HANFORD, CA 93230

**LOCATION:** 3601 LACEY BLVD  
HANFORD, CA 93230

**EQUIPMENT DESCRIPTION:**

MODIFICATION OF COW HOUSING - - 5,000 MILK COWS NOT TO EXCEED A COMBINED TOTAL OF 5,890 MATURE COWS (MILK AND DRY); 700 TOTAL SUPPORT STOCK (HEIFERS AND BULLS); AND 5 FREESTALL BARN WITH FLUSH/SCRAPE SYSTEM: INCREASE THE HERD SIZE FROM 5,000 MILK COWS/890 DRY COWS/700 SUPPORT STOCK TO 6,500 MILK COWS. CONSTRUCT A NEW FREESTALL BARN (#6) OVER EXISTING OPEN CORRALS #301 AND 302

## CONDITIONS

1. Upon presentation of appropriate credentials, a permittee shall allow an authorized representative of the District to enter the permittee's premises where a permitted source is located or emissions related activity is conducted, or where records must be kept under condition of the permit. [District Rule 1070]
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4. If a licensed veterinarian or a certified nutritionist determines that any VOC mitigation measure will be required to be suspended as a detriment to animal health or necessary for the animal to molt, the owners/operators must notify the District in writing within forty-eight (48) hours of the determination including the duration and the specific health condition requiring the mitigation measure to be suspended. If the situation is expected to exist longer than a thirty-day (30) period, the owner/operator shall submit a new emission mitigation plan designating a mitigation measure to be implemented in lieu of the suspended mitigation measure. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]

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5. Permittee shall feed all animals according to National Research Council (NRC) guidelines. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
6. Permittee shall pave feedlanes, where present, for a width of at least 8 feet along the corral side of the feedlane fence for milk and dry cows and at least 6 feet along the corral side of the feedlane for heifers. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
7. Permittee shall flush, scrape or vacuum freestall lanes immediately prior to, immediately after or during each milking. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
8. Permittee shall maintain records sufficient to demonstrate that freestall lanes are flushed, scraped or vacuumed immediately prior to, immediately after or during each milking. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
9. Permittee shall use non-manure-based bedding and non-separated solids based bedding for at least 90% of the bedding material, by weight, for freestalls (e.g. rubber mats, almond shells, sand, or waterbeds). [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
10. Permittee shall inspect water pipes and troughs and repair leaks at least once every seven (7) days. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
11. Permittee shall maintain records demonstrating that water pipes and troughs are inspected and leaks are repaired at least once every seven (7) days. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
12. Permittee shall clean manure from corrals at least four (4) times per year with at least sixty (60) days between each cleaning, or permittee shall clean corrals at least once between April and July and at least once between September and December. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
13. Permittee shall demonstrate that manure from corrals are cleaned at least four (4) times per year with at least sixty (60) days between each cleaning or demonstrate that corrals are cleaned at least once between April and July and at least once between September and December. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
14. For Freestall Barns 103, 104, and 105, permittee shall implement at least one of the following mitigation measures: 1) slope the surface of the loafing barns/exercise pens at least 3% where the available space for each animal is 400 square feet or less and shall slope the surface of the loafing barns/exercise pens at least 1.5% where the available space for each animal is more than 400 square feet per animal; 2) maintain loafing barns/exercise pens to ensure proper drainage preventing water from standing more than forty-eight hours; or 3) harrow, rake, or scrape loafing barns/exercise pens sufficiently to maintain a dry surface except during periods of rainy weather. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
15. Permittee shall implement at least one of the following corral mitigation measures: 1) slope the surface of the corrals at least 3% where the available space for each animal is 400 square feet or less and shall slope the surface of the corrals at least 1.5% where the available space for each animal is more than 400 square feet per animal; 2) maintain corrals to ensure proper drainage preventing water from standing more than forty-eight hours; or 3) harrow, rake, or scrape pens sufficiently to maintain a dry surface except during periods of rainy weather. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
16. Permittee shall either 1) maintain sufficient records to demonstrate that corrals are maintained to ensure proper drainage preventing water from standing for more than forty-eight hours or 2) maintain records of dates pens are groomed (i.e., harrowed, raked, or scraped, etc.). [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
17. Permittee shall clean concreted lanes such that the depth of manure does not exceed twelve (12) inches at any point or time. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
18. Permittee shall measure and document the depth of manure on the concrete lanes at least once every ninety (90) days. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
19. For Freestall Barns 103, 104, and 105, permittee shall flush the feed lanes and walkways at least four times per day for mature cows and at least once per day for support stock. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
20. Shade structures shall be installed in any of the following ways: 1) constructed with a light permeable roofing material; 2) uphill of any slope in the corral; 3) installed so that the structure has a North/South orientation. OR Permittee shall clean manure from under corral shades at least once every fourteen (14) days, when weather permits access into the corral. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]

21. If permittee has selected to comply using shades constructed with a light permeable roofing material, then permittee shall maintain records, such as design specifications, demonstrating that the shade structures are equipped with such roofing material or if permittee has selected to comply by cleaning the manure from under the corral shades, then permittee shall maintain records demonstrating that manure is cleaned from under the shades at least once every fourteen (14) days, as long as weather permits access to corrals. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
22. For Freestall Barns 103, 104, and 105, permittee shall scrape exercise pens surfaces every two weeks using a pull-type scraper during morning hours, except when prevented by wet conditions. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
23. Permittee shall manage corrals such that the manure depth in the corral does not exceed twelve (12) inches at any time or point, except for in-corral mounding. Manure depth may exceed 12 inches when corrals become inaccessible due to rain events. However, permittee must resume management of the manure depth of 12 inches or lower immediately upon the corral becoming accessible. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
24. Permittee shall measure and document the depth of manure in the corrals at least once every ninety (90) days. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
25. Permittee shall maintain a record of the number of animals of each species and production group at the facility and shall maintain quarterly records of any changes to this information. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
26. Permittee shall keep and maintain all records for a minimum of five (5) years and shall make records available to the APCO and EPA upon request. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]



# AUTHORITY TO CONSTRUCT

**PERMIT NO:** C-5356-3-6

**ISSUANCE DATE:** 01/20/2023

**LEGAL OWNER OR OPERATOR:** DIXIE CREEK RANCH  
**MAILING ADDRESS:** 2911 HANFORD ARMONA RD  
HANFORD, CA 93230

**LOCATION:** 3601 LACEY BLVD  
HANFORD, CA 93230

**EQUIPMENT DESCRIPTION:**

MODIFICATION OF LIQUID MANURE HANDLING SYSTEM CONSISTING OF PROCESSING PIT(S); SETTLING BASIN(S); SAND LANE(S); MECHANICAL SEPARATOR(S); DIGESTER SYSTEM CONSISTING OF A COVERED DIGESTER LAGOON WITH AN OXYGEN/AIR INJECTION SYSTEM AND CARBON DRY H<sub>2</sub>S SCRUBBER FOR CONTROL OF H<sub>2</sub>S, INCLUDING BLOWERS AND DRYERS; AND ONE STORAGE POND; MANURE IS LAND APPLIED THROUGH FLOOD IRRIGATION; ALLOW FOR INCREASE IN LIQUID MANURE DUE TO HERD INCREASE AUTHORIZED BY AUTHORITY TO CONSTRUCT C-5356-2-3

## CONDITIONS

1. Upon presentation of appropriate credentials, a permittee shall allow an authorized representative of the District to enter the permittee's premises where a permitted source is located or emissions related activity is conducted, or where records must be kept under condition of the permit. [District Rule 1070]
2. Upon presentation of appropriate credentials, a permittee shall allow an authorized representative of the District to have access to and copy, at reasonable times, any records that must be kept under the conditions of the permit. [District Rule 1070]
3. This permit does not authorize the violation of any conditions established for this facility in the Conditional Use Permit (CUP), Special Use Permit (SUP), Site Approval, Site Plan Review (SPR), or other approval documents issued by a local, state, or federal agency. [Public Resources Code 21000-21177: California Environmental Quality Act]

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Samir Sheikh, Executive Director / APCO



Brian Clements, Director of Permit Services

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4. If a licensed veterinarian or a certified nutritionist determines that any VOC mitigation measure will be required to be suspended as a detriment to animal health or necessary for the animal to molt, the owners/operators must notify the District in writing within forty-eight (48) hours of the determination including the duration and the specific health condition requiring the mitigation measure to be suspended. If the situation is expected to exist longer than a thirty-day (30) period, the owner/operator shall submit a new emission mitigation plan designating a mitigation measure to be implemented in lieu of the suspended mitigation measure. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
5. All equipment shall be maintained in good operating condition and shall be operated in a manner to minimize emissions of air contaminants into the atmosphere. [District Rule 2201]
6. The VOC content of the digester gas produced by the digester system shall not exceed 10% by weight. [District Rule 2201]
7. The oxygen/air injection system shall be maintained and operated in accordance with the supplier's recommendations to minimize the concentration of hydrogen sulfide (H<sub>2</sub>S) in the digester gas. [District Rule 2201]
8. Permittee shall feed all animals according to National Research Council (NRC) guidelines. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
9. Permittee shall maintain records of feed content, formulation, and quantity of feed additive utilized, to demonstrate compliance with National Research Council (NRC) guidelines. Records such as feed company guaranteed analyses (feed tags), ration sheets, or feed purchase records may be used to meet this requirement. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
10. Permittee shall remove solids with a solid separator system, prior to the manure entering the lagoon. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
11. Permittee shall not allow liquid manure to stand in the fields for more than twenty-four (24) hours after irrigation. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
12. Permittee shall maintain records to demonstrate liquid manure did not stand in the fields for more than twenty-four (24) hours after irrigation. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
13. Permittee shall treat all liquid manure in the lagoon with the exception of periods of maintenance, repair, or cleaning. [District Rule 2201]
14. Permittee shall only apply liquid manure that has been treated in the covered anaerobic digester lagoon. [District Rule 2201]
15. Permittee shall keep and maintain all records for a minimum of five (5) years and shall make records available to the APCO and EPA upon request. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]

# AUTHORITY TO CONSTRUCT

**PERMIT NO:** C-5356-4-5

**ISSUANCE DATE:** 01/20/2023

**LEGAL OWNER OR OPERATOR:** DIXIE CREEK RANCH  
**MAILING ADDRESS:** 2911 HANFORD ARMONA RD  
HANFORD, CA 93230

**LOCATION:** 3601 LACEY BLVD  
HANFORD, CA 93230

**EQUIPMENT DESCRIPTION:**

MODIFICATION OF SOLID MANURE HANDLING CONSISTING OF MANURE STOCK PILES; SOLID MANURE APPLICATION TO LAND AND/OR HAULED OFFSITE: ALLOW INCREASE IN MANURE DUE TO SOLID MANURE HANDLING CONSISTING OF MANURE STOCK PILES; SOLID MANURE APPLICATION TO LAND AND/OR HAULED OFFSITE INCREASE IN HERD SIZE AUTHORIZED BY AUTHORITY TO CONSTRUCT C-5356-2-5

## CONDITIONS

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3. This permit does not authorize the violation of any conditions established for this facility in the Conditional Use Permit (CUP), Special Use Permit (SUP), Site Approval, Site Plan Review (SPR), or other approval documents issued by a local, state, or federal agency. [Public Resources Code 21000-21177: California Environmental Quality Act]
4. If a licensed veterinarian or a certified nutritionist determines that any VOC mitigation measure will be required to be suspended as a detriment to animal health or necessary for the animal to molt, the owners/operators must notify the District in writing within forty-eight (48) hours of the determination including the duration and the specific health condition requiring the mitigation measure to be suspended. If the situation is expected to exist longer than a thirty-day (30) period, the owner/operator shall submit a new emission mitigation plan designating a mitigation measure to be implemented in lieu of the suspended mitigation measure. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]

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5. Permittee shall feed all animals according to National Research Council (NRC) guidelines. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
6. Permittee shall maintain records of feed content, formulation, and quantity of feed additive utilized, to demonstrate compliance with National Research Council (NRC) guidelines. Records such as feed company guaranteed analyses (feed tags), ration sheets, or feed purchase records may be used to meet this requirement. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
7. Within seventy two (72) hours of removal of solid manure from housing, permittee shall either 1) remove dry manure from the facility, or 2) cover dry manure outside the housing with a weatherproof covering from October through May, except for times when wind events remove the covering, not to exceed twenty-four (24) hours per event. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
8. Permittee shall keep records of dates when manure is removed from the facility or permittee shall maintain records to demonstrate that dry manure piles outside the pens are covered with a weatherproof covering from October through May. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
9. If weatherproof coverings are used, permittee shall maintain records, such as manufacturer warranties or other documentation, demonstrating that the weatherproof covering over dry manure are installed, used, and maintained in accordance with manufacturer recommendations and applicable standards listed in NRCS Field Office Technical Guide Code 313 or 367, or any other applicable standard approved by the APCO, ARB, and EPA. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
10. Solid manure applied to fields shall be incorporated into the soil within two hours after application. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
11. Permittee shall maintain records to demonstrate that solid manure has been incorporated into the soil within two hours of land application. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
12. Permittee shall keep and maintain all records for a minimum of five (5) years and shall make records available to the APCO and EPA upon request. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]

# AUTHORITY TO CONSTRUCT

**PERMIT NO:** C-5356-8-4

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HANFORD, CA 93230

**LOCATION:** 3601 LACEY BLVD  
HANFORD, CA 93230

**EQUIPMENT DESCRIPTION:**  
MODIFICATION OF FEED STORAGE AND HANDLING CONSISTING OF COMMODITY BARN(S) AND SILAGE PILE(S):  
ALLOW INCREASE IN TOTAL MIXED RATION FEEDING DUE TO HERD EXPANSION

## CONDITIONS

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5. Permittee shall feed all animals according to National Research Council (NRC) guidelines. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]

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7. Permittee shall push feed so that it is within three feet of feedlane fence within two hours of putting out the feed or use a feed trough or other feeding structure designed to maintain feed within reach of the animals. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
8. Permittee shall maintain an operating plan or record that requires feed to be pushed within three feet of feedlane fence within two hours of putting out the feed, or use of a feed trough or other structure designed to maintain feed within reach of the animals. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
9. Permittee shall begin feeding total mixed rations within two hours of grinding and mixing rations. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
10. Permittee shall maintain an operating plan or record of when feeding of total mixed rations began within two hours of grinding and mixing rations. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
11. Permittee shall store grain in a weatherproof storage structure or under a weatherproof covering from October through May. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
12. Permittee shall maintain records demonstrating grain is/was stored in a weatherproof storage structure or under a weatherproof covering from October through May. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
13. Permittee shall feed steam-flaked, dry rolled, cracked or ground corn or other steam-flaked, dry rolled, cracked or ground cereal grains. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
14. Permittee shall maintain records to demonstrate animals are fed steam-flaked, dry rolled, cracked or ground corn or other steam-flaked, dry rolled, cracked or ground cereal grains. Records such as feed company guaranteed analyses (feed tags), ration sheets, or feed purchase records may be used to meet this requirement. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
15. For bagged silage/feedstuff, permittee shall utilize a sealed feed storage system (e.g., ag bag). [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
16. Permittee shall cover all silage piles, except for the area where feed is being removed from the pile, with a plastic tarp that is at least five (5) mils (0.005 inches) thick, multiple plastic tarps with a cumulative thickness of at least 5 mils (0.005 inches), or an oxygen barrier film covered with a UV resistant material. Silage piles shall be covered within seventy-two (72) hours of last delivery of material to the pile. Sheets of material used to cover silage shall overlap so that silage is not exposed where the sheets meet. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
17. Permittee shall maintain records of the thickness and type of cover used to cover each silage pile. Permittee shall also maintain records of the date of the last delivery of material to each silage pile and the date each pile is covered. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
18. Permittee shall select and implement one of the following mitigation measures for building each silage pile at the facility: Option 1) build the silage pile such that the average bulk density is at least 44 lb/cu ft for corn silage and 40 lb/cu ft for other silage types, as measured in accordance with Section 7.11 of District Rule 4570; Option 2) Adjust filling parameters when creating the silage pile to achieve an average bulk density of at least 44 lb/cu ft for corn silage and at least 40 lb/cu ft for other silage types as determined using a District-approved spreadsheet; or Option 3) build silage piles using crops harvested with the applicable minimum moisture content, maximum Theoretical Length of Chop (TLC), and roller opening identified in District Rule 4570, Table 4.1, 1.d and manage silage material delivery such that the thickness of the layer of un-compacted material delivered on top of the pile is no more than six (6) inches. Records of the option chosen as a mitigation measure for building each silage pile shall be maintained. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
19. For each silage pile that Option 1 (Measured Bulk Density) is chosen as a mitigation measure for building the pile, records of the measured bulk density shall be maintained. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]

20. For each silage pile that Option 2 (Bulk Density Determined by Spreadsheet) is chosen as a mitigation measure for building the pile, records of the filling parameters entered into the District-approved spreadsheet to determine the bulk density shall be maintained. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
21. For each silage pile that Option 3 (Moisture, TLC, Roller Opening, & Material Delivery) is chosen as a mitigation measure for building the pile, the permittee shall harvest corn used for the pile at an average moisture content of at least 65% and harvest other silage crops for the pile at an average moisture content of at least 60%. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
22. For each silage pile that Option 3 (Moisture, TLC, Roller Opening, & Material Delivery) is chosen as a mitigation measure for building the pile, records of the average percent moisture of crops harvested for silage shall be maintained. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
23. For each silage pile that Option 3 (Moisture, TLC, Roller Opening, & Material Delivery) is chosen as a mitigation measure for building the pile, the permittee shall adjust setting of equipment used to harvest crops for the pile to incorporate the following parameters for Theoretical Length of Chop (TLC) and roller opening, as applicable: 1) Corn with no processing: TLC not exceeding 1/2 inch, 2) Processed Corn: TLC not exceeding 3/4 inch and roller opening of 1-4 mm, 3) Alfalfa/Grass: TLC not exceeding 1.0 inch, 4) Other silage crops: TLC not exceeding 1/2 inch. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
24. For each silage pile that Option 3 (Moisture, TLC, Roller Opening, & Material Delivery) is chosen as a mitigation measure for building the pile, records that equipment used to harvest crops for the pile was set to the required TLC and roller opening for the type of crop harvested shall be maintained. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
25. For each silage pile that Option 3 (Moisture, TLC, Roller Opening, & Material Delivery) is chosen as a mitigation measure for building the pile, the permittee shall manage silage material delivery such that the thickness of the layer of un-compacted material delivered on top of the pile is no more than six (6) inches. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
26. For each silage pile that Option 3 (Moisture, TLC, Roller Opening, & Material Delivery) is chosen as a mitigation measure for building the pile, the permittee shall maintain a plan that requires that the thickness of the layer of un-compacted material delivered on top of the pile is no more than six (6) inches. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
27. Permittee shall select and implement at least two of the following mitigation measures for management of silage piles at the facility: Option 1) manage silage piles such that only one silage pile has an uncovered face and the total exposed surface area is less than 2,150 square feet, or manage multiple uncovered silage piles such that the total exposed surface area of all uncovered silage piles is less than 4,300 square feet; Option 2) use a shaver/facer to remove silage from the silage pile, or shall use another method to maintain a smooth vertical surface on the working face of the silage pile; or Option 3) inoculate silage with homolactic lactic acid bacteria in accordance with manufacturer recommendations to achieve a concentration of at least 100,000 colony forming units per gram of wet forage, apply propionic acid, benzoic acid, sorbic acid, sodium benzoate, or potassium sorbate at the rate specified by the manufacturer to reduce yeast counts when forming silage piles, or apply other additives at rates that have been demonstrated to reduce alcohol concentrations in silage and/or VOC emissions from silage and have been approved by the District and EPA. Records of the options chosen for managing each silage pile shall be maintained. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
28. If Option 1 (Limiting Exposed Area of Silage) is chosen as a mitigation measure for managing silage piles, the permittee shall calculate and record the maximum (largest part of pile) total exposed area of each silage pile. Records of the maximum calculated area shall be maintained. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
29. For each silage pile that Option 2 (Shaver/Facer or Smooth Face) is chosen as a mitigation measure for managing the pile, the permittee shall maintain records that a shaver/facer was used to remove silage from the pile or shall visually inspect the pile at least daily to verify that the working face was smooth and maintain records of the visual inspections. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
30. For each silage pile that Option 3 (Silage Additives) is chosen as a mitigation measure for managing the pile, records shall be maintained of the type additive (e.g. inoculants, preservative, other District & EPA-approved additive), the quantity of the additive applied to the pile, and a copy of the manufacturers instructions for application of the additive. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]
31. Permittee shall keep and maintain all records for a minimum of five (5) years and shall make records available to the APCO and EPA upon request. [District Rules 2201 and 4570]