Blue Clay Colony

Blue Clay Colony Box 220, Dominion City, MB ROA OHO

January 10, 2022

Dear Neighbour,

Re: Proposed Livestock Project

This is Mike Maendel from Blue Clay Colony. We dropped by today in the hopes of talking to you about the livestock project we are currently exploring. As you may know, we have been busy over the past 24 years in the area developing our community and establishing an integrated sustainable crop and livestock production operation. We have also added a farm manufacturing enterprise to further support and sustain our growing Colony community. Together this has contributed towards a vibrant and bustling local and regional economy and increased municipal, school and provincial tax revenues.

We are now exploring the possibility of modernizing our exiting Sow operation at our Colony home site in advance of the July 2024 regulations. This proposed project would allow us to convert to loose gestation housing and increased floor space per animal. But this is an expensive retrofitting project.

We are currently reviewing the feasibility of this project and are actively exploring options. To make this modernization project feasible, we are also proposing to also expand our existing Sow farrow to finish operation from 770 spaces to 1,100 spaces; an increase of 330 Sows. As farm neighbours, we are reaching out now to let you know what we are generally planning.

If feasibility results are good, we hope to proceed with a formal application for livestock development to the R.M. of De Salaberry this winter. If we do so, public notice will be provided at that time and details of any formal application will be available for public review and input. As part of the formal process, Provincial government departments will also conduct a technical review of the proposal and will ask for public comments. It will submit its report to local Council and this will be available to neighbours and the public for review. A local public hearing will also be held before any decision is made by municipal Council.

This letter will let you know we dropped around and explains the reason for our visit. We are sorry if we missed you. In the meantime, please call our project consultant Peter Mah at (204) 771-5117 should you have any questions. We hope you have a good New Year 2022.

Sincerely,

Mike Maendel, Blue Clay Colony