

Minnesota Department of Transportation - District 7

MnDOT District 7 received a copy of the EAW for the Lass Farms Feedlot project in Rock County. Below are our comments:

1. Based on the maps found within the EAW document, the feedlot site and the seven manure application sites do not appear to be located adjacent to or within close proximity to a state highway. Although it is conceivable that some amount of truck traffic could use highways such as US 75 and I-90 for some portion of travel between the feedlot and processing facilities, it does not appear that such traffic would represent an outsize impact on state highway infrastructure itself.
2. Conversely, the project as described in the EAW indicates that the project will increase emissions, both from the construction process, and in the operation of the facility once constructed. Because MnDOT has set both statewide and regional goals for GHG reductions, the applicant should consider implementation of any feasible mitigation strategies for the additional tailpipe emissions that will be generated as a result of the feedlot.