



# **Environmental Protection Agency**

## **Notice to the Public**

Pursuant to Section 11(2) of the Environmental Protection Act, Cap. 20:05, Laws of Guyana, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has screened the application for the grant of an environmental permit for the following proposed project:

***Triple R Farms – Poultry Rearing and Processing Facility at Tract HL, West Side of the Soesyke Linden Highway, South of the Kairuni Creek Kairuni.***

The EPA has determined that this project will not significantly affect the environment, and is therefore exempt from the requirement to conduct an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA). The reasons for its decision include:

1. The proposed site for the facility has been deemed appropriate for the activity as per lease of State lands for Agricultural purposes provided by the Guyana Lands and Survey (GLSC).
2. Solid Waste from the facility will be recycled, reused and disposed of via methods approved by the Agency. These methods include composting and reuse bedding material or litter while poultry entrails will be given to nearby swine producers.
3. The processing facility will not directly discharge effluent into nearby water bodies. Instead, a storage system was recommended to be used to collect the effluent released.
4. Odour will also be mitigated through the existing strong buffer zone that surrounds the project site. This appears to be an effective method, as studies have shown that vegetative buffers can incrementally mitigate odours by interacting with particulate matter, volatile organic compounds and ammonia through a complex of bio-physical dynamics.
5. No hazardous materials/waste will be stored on site.
6. Odour from the facility will be minimized through proper animal husbandry practices, which would include:



- Disinfection of the pen after the rearing cycle would have been completed.
- Keeping pens dry through daily checks of watering cans for leakages and spillage, as well as the constant topping up and turning of litter to prevent caking.
- Dead birds found onsite will be promptly removed on a daily basis and stored appropriately.

Please be advised that this decision is in no way an indication that this project is approved.

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Any person who may be affected by the proposed project may lodge an appeal against the Agency's decision (EIA not required) within thirty (30) days of the publication of this Notice. Appeals against the EPA's decision should be addressed to:

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