



# GEORGIA

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION

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March 30, 2021

Justin Echols  
Little Ogeechee Farms, LLC  
3161 Walker Church Road  
Greensboro, GA 30642

**RE: Notice of Violation**  
Land Application of Wastewater  
Little Ogeechee Farms, LLC  
Ogeechee River Basin, Warren County

Dear Mr. Echols:

Representatives of the Environmental Protection Division (Division) conducted a complaint investigation at the above-referenced site. The purpose of the investigation was to evaluate the industrial liquids being stored and land applied by you onto properties off Gibson Highway and Gunn Road in Warren County. Based on information provided at the time of the investigation, the material was not determined to be an approved soil amendment. This was confirmed with the Georgia Department of Agriculture's Ag Inputs Division. Therefore, the material is considered a solid waste.

The Georgia Comprehensive Solid Waste (Act) O.C.G.A. 12-8-30.7 makes it unlawful for any person to engage in solid waste handling except in such a manner as to conform to and comply with all applicable Rules, Regulations, and Orders established under the provisions of this Act. The Georgia Solid Waste Rules Chapter 391-3-4-.02(1) prohibits any person from engaging in solid waste handling without a solid waste handling permit and Chapter 391-3-4-.04(4)(c) specifies under "Prohibited acts" that no solid waste may be disposed of by any person in an open dump, nor may any person cause, suffer, allow or permit open dumping on his property.

The Environmental Protection Division (Division) finds that you are in violation of the Act and Rules for land applying solid waste to your pasture without a permit. The Division is directing you to:

1. Immediately stop accepting and applying solid waste to your pasture. By April 30, 2021, properly remove and dispose of accumulated solid waste located in your storage impoundment(s) at a Division permitted facility.
2. Notify the Division three-day advanced notice of when transport of the solid waste to a permitted disposal facility is to commence.
3. Provide the Division with disposal receipts of the solid waste within fifteen (15) days of disposal.

The Division appreciates your cooperation in this matter. Additional enforcement for these violations may be forthcoming. If you have any questions or comments, please contact me at (706) 667-4343 or by email at [jeffery.williams@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:jeffery.williams@dnr.ga.gov).

Sincerely,

Jeffery Williams  
Program Manager