

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to agriculture; amending 2 O.S. 2011,  
8 Section 10-9.8a, which relates to the Oklahoma  
9 Registered Poultry Feeding Operations Act; modifying  
current setback requirements; providing setback  
requirements; requiring certain pre-site inspections;  
and providing an effective date.

11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

12 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 2 O.S. 2011, Section 10-9.8a, is  
13 amended to read as follows:

14 Section 10-9.8a A. On and after the effective date of this  
act:

15 1. No new or expanding poultry feeding operations, ~~operated by~~  
16 ~~entities prohibited in Section 951 of Title 18 of the Oklahoma~~  
17 ~~Statutes including but not limited to entities operating as~~  
18 ~~prescribed by Section 954 of Title 18 of the Oklahoma Statutes,~~  
19 shall be constructed within a one-hundred-year flood plain; and

20 2. ~~No new or expanding poultry feeding operations, operated by~~  
21 ~~entities prohibited in Section 951 of Title 18 of the Oklahoma~~  
22 ~~Statutes including but not limited to entities operating as~~

1 | ~~prescribed by Section 954 of Title 18 of the Oklahoma Statutes,~~  
2 | ~~shall be constructed within the following minimum buffer areas:~~  
3 |     a. ~~one and one half (1 1/2) miles of the high water mark~~  
4 |             ~~of a surface public water supply if the poultry~~  
5 |             ~~feeding operation is located within the watershed for~~  
6 |             ~~the public water supply,~~  
7 |     b. ~~one (1) mile of any designated scenic river area as~~  
8 |             ~~specified by the Scenic Rivers Act,~~  
9 |     c. ~~one (1) mile of a public drinking water well, and~~  
10 |     d. ~~one (1) mile of a water body specified as Outstanding~~  
11 |             ~~Resource Waters that has recreational or ecological~~  
12 |             ~~significance as outlined by the most current Water~~  
13 |             ~~Quality Standards promulgated by the Oklahoma Water~~  
14 |             ~~Resources Board~~

15 | New or expanding poultry feeding operations with more than  
16 | thirty thousand (30,000) birds, including, but not limited to,  
17 | poultry barns, composters and other carcass disposal areas, litter  
18 | sheds and other buildings associated with the operation, shall not  
19 | be constructed within one-half (1/2) mile of occupied residences.

20 | All distances between occupied residences and poultry feeding  
21 | operations shall be measured from the closest corner of the walls of  
22 | the occupied residence to the closest point of the registered  
23 | poultry feeding operation, excluding land application sites; and

1       3. New or expanding poultry feeding operations, including, but  
2       not limited to, poultry barns, composters and other carcass disposal  
3       areas, litter sheds and other buildings associated with the  
4       operation, shall not be constructed within:

- 5       a. one-half (1/2) mile of public schools, a cemetery, a  
6       church, a public park or incorporated city limits,  
7       b. one-tenth (1/10) mile of a public highway or property  
8       line. For the purposes of this subparagraph,  
9       "property line" means the division line between two  
10      units of land,  
11      c. one-quarter (1/4) mile of streams identified on a  
12      current USGS 7.5 minute topographic map, and  
13      d. one-fifth (1/5) mile of private wells not owned or  
14      used for the poultry feeding operation.

15      B. Prior to approval of any application for a new or expanding  
16      poultry feeding operation, the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture,  
17      Food, and Forestry shall conduct a pre-site inspection of the  
18      proposed facility and review and confirm compliance with all setback  
19      requirements contained in this section.

20      SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2021.

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