Attachment C
Waste Discharge Requirements General Order No. R5-2007-0035
Existing Milk Cow Dairies

III. Nutrient Budget (see Technical Standard V below)

The Discharger shall develop a nutrient budget for each land application area. The nutrient budget shall establish planned rates of nutrient applications for each crop based on soil test results, manure and process wastewater analyses, irrigation water analyses, crop nutrient requirements and patterns, seasonal and climatic conditions, the use and timing of irrigation water, and the nutrient application restrictions listed in Technical Standards V.A through V.D below. The Nutrient Budget shall include the following:

A. The rate of application of manure and process wastewater for each crop in each land application area (also considering sources of nutrients other than manure or process wastewater) to meet each crop’s needs without exceeding the application rates specified in Technical Standard V.B below. The basis for the application rates must be provided.

B. The timing of applications for each crop in each land application area and the basis for the timing (Technical Standard V.C below). The maximum period of time anticipated between land application events (storage period) based on proper timing and compliance with Technical Standard V.C. below. This will be used in the Waste Management Plan (item II.A of Attachment B) to determine the storage capacity needs.

C. The method of manure and process wastewater application for each crop in each land application area (Technical Standard V.D below).

D. If phosphorus and/or potassium applications exceed the amount of these elements removed from the land application area in the harvested portion of the crop, the soil and crop tissue analyses shall be reviewed by an agronomist at least every five years. …

Technical Standards for Nutrient Management

The Discharger shall comply with the following Technical Standards for Nutrient Management in the development and implementation of the Nutrient Management Plan (NMP).

V. Nutrient Budget

The NMP shall include a nutrient budget which includes planned rates of nutrient applications for each crop that do not exceed the crop’s requirements for total nitrogen considering the stage of crop growth and that also considers all nutrient sources, climatic conditions, the irrigation schedule, and the application limitations in A through D below.

A. General Standards for Nutrient Applications

9. Plans for nutrient management shall specify the form, source, amount, timing, and method of application of nutrients on each land application area to minimize nitrogen and/or phosphorus movement to surface and/or ground waters to the extent necessary to meet the provisions of the Order.