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**Subject:** Concern Regarding TRC 12-109  
**Date:** April 12, 2025 11:01:14 PM  
**Attachments:** [Blumengart to closest Neighbors Triangle Perimeters.docx](#)

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To the Livestock Technical Review Committee:

In regards to TRC 12-109, As being the closest neighbor to the proposed site of both the hog barn expansion, as well as the proposed future EMS site, We do have a very real concern. Currently the prevailing NW winds already bring the smell from Blumengarts existing hog barns and existing manure storage tank across our yard many times throughout the year. This has left us limited to planning our socializing and hosting get togethers around the weather forecast. We love to host people, cooking outdoors and sitting in our backyard around the firepit etc, and ever since the construction of the existing manure storage tank, we no longer plan to have people over in the summer if the forecast shows a chance of NW wind, as that means there is a good chance that outdoor hosting is not going to be pleasant.

With the proposed expansion, it means stronger smell, and with the proposed future EMS site, closer to our dwelling than the current manure storage tank, and with a much larger surface area than the existing manure storage tank, and also in a different location/wind line to our dwelling than the barns, a stronger smell is most certain, and even more NW wind directions bringing the stench to our backyard, causing us more annoyance than we already have currently come to accept as a part of living where we live.

I have attached screenshots of google earth distance measurements of triangle perimeters between the blumengart hutterite colony and the 2 closest neighbors in all 4 directions(From Blumengart, NE-SE-SW-NW) and as you'll see, the triangle that contains the proposed EMS Site (NE) is the least distance perimeter between the 3 closest neighbors. The highest distance between neighbors in any of the triangle perimeters is in fact the NW option, or even the SW(b) option. We would however prefer the NW option as this would allow us to continue to ONLY have to plan on not hosting guests outdoors when wind direction is forecast at NW, as this will still remain the case with Blumengarts hog barn line to our dwelling being NW as well. Moving the EMS to the SW option would mean we would no longer plan outdoor hosting if the wind direction forecast was both NW & SW, not favorable either.

We propose:

- 1- future hog barns be built not closer to our dwelling than the current ones, and even more importantly
- 2- that future manure storage facilities, including the proposed EMS be built within the NW Triangle shown on the attached google earth map. and
- 3- any future EMS sites be required to be covered by straw from April 1 through October 31 to minimize the smell.

I truly hope that we can come to an agreement that leaves not just the Blumengart hutterite colony satisfied, but also the surrounding neighbors affected by this expansion, they are the ones who stand only to lose something from this(a lifestyle), and stand to gain nothing from it.

I did start a dialogue with Mark Tschetter regarding this concern a while ago, not being aware who else to approach at Blumengart, and have since been redirected to have conversation with Jonas Tschetter. I have had some dialogue with Jonas, and I have sent him a brief version of this proposal, only 2 days ago, and he has not had opportunity to reply to it yet, but I do hope to work something out with them. But in the meantime I am sharing my concern(or rather disapproval if our proposal cannot be met) of this conditional use application, as the deadline has arrived to do so, and we(us, their nearest neighbor, and the Blumengart hutterite colony) have not yet had a chance come to an agreement that satisfies both of us. We love them as neighbors, and hope that our concern does not cause any rifts between us, and we do hope to see a satisfactory agreement to each of us.

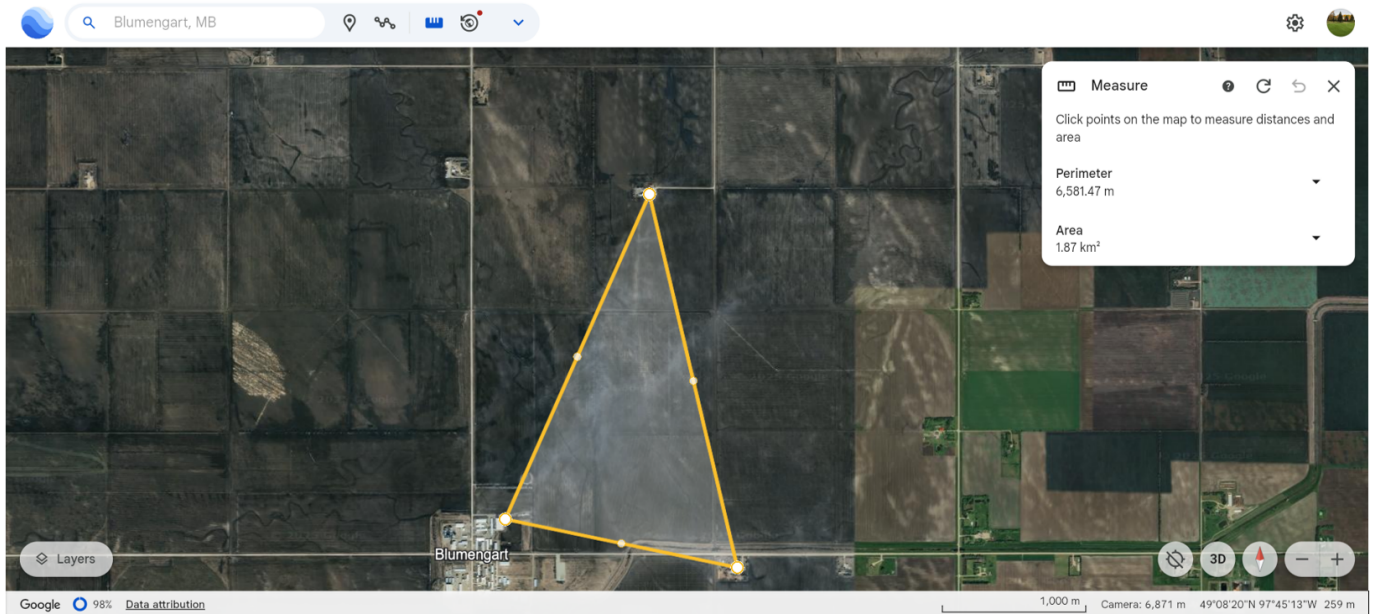
We appreciate your consideration in this matter, and would gladly discuss in person or by phone if necessary. This decision affects our family considerably!

We thank you in advance,

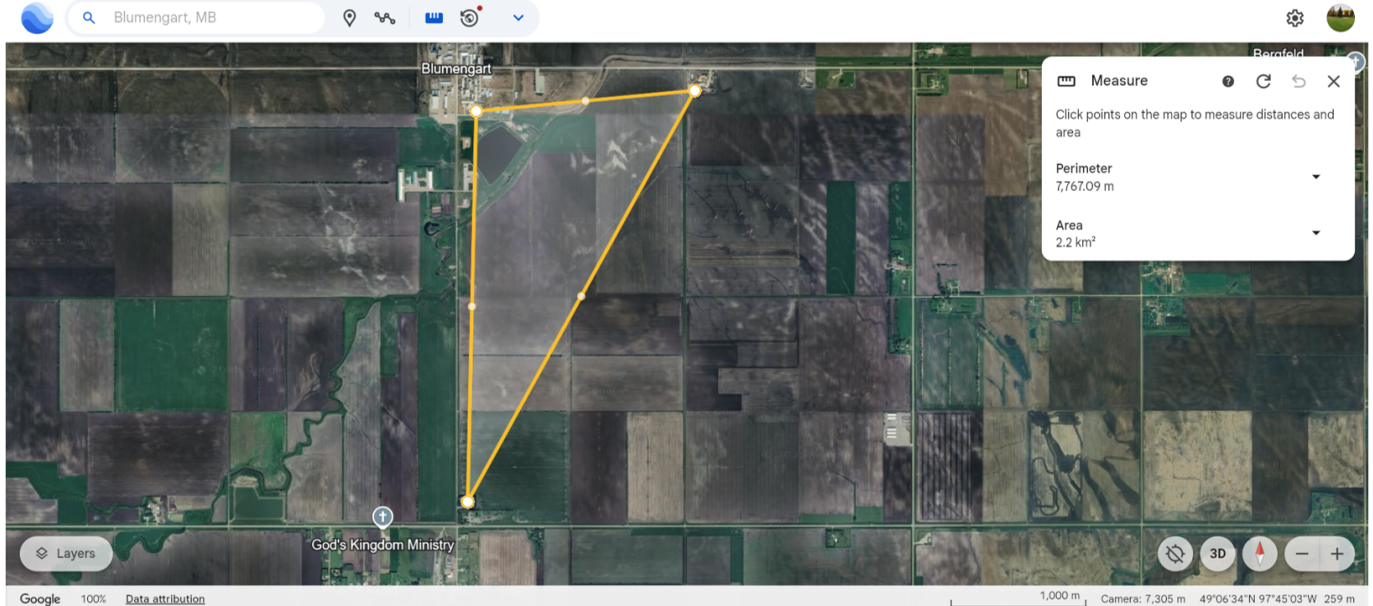
Sincerely,

Andrew, Marianne & Jonas Penner

NE of Blumengart: 6.5kms perimeter from dwelling to dwelling to dwelling(proposed future manure lagoon site)

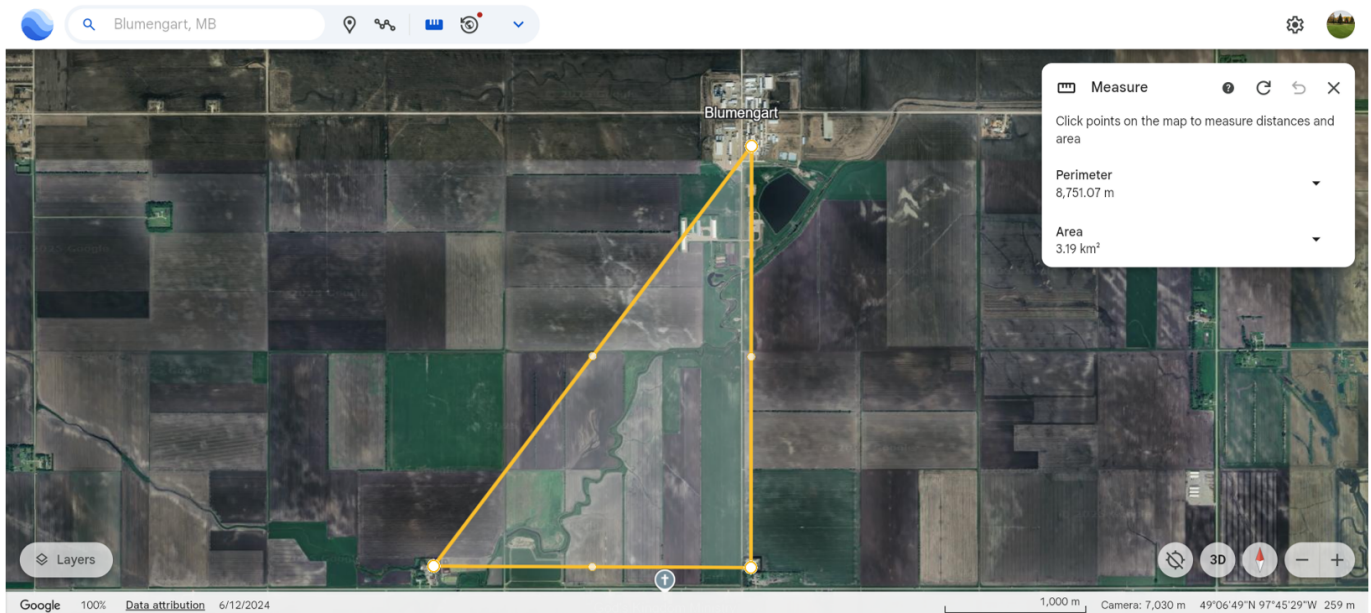


SE of Blumengart: 7.7kms perimeter from dwelling to dwelling to dwelling

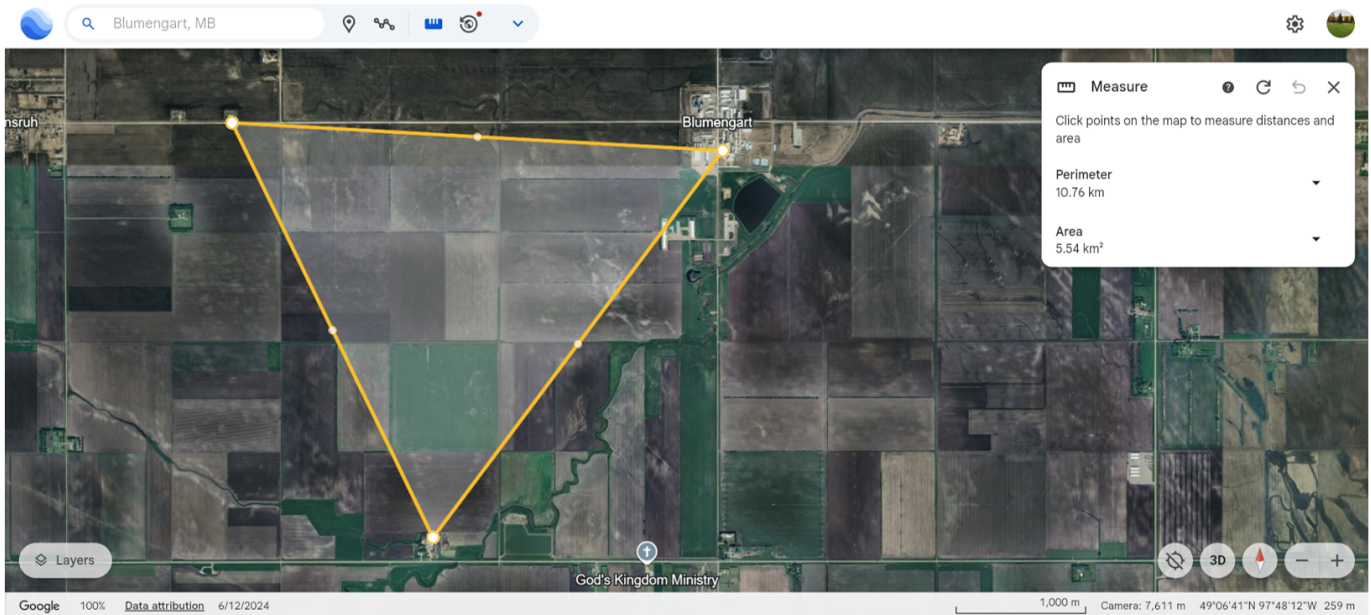




SW(a) of Blumengart: 8.7kms perimeter from dwelling to dwelling to dwelling



Or also SW(b): 10.7kms perimeter from dwelling to dwelling to dwelling





NW of Blumengart 9.7kms perimeter from dwelling to dwelling to dwelling

