# Licence

**Licence number** L5177/1989/13

Licence holderCutting Cart Pty LtdTrading nameDardanup Butchering Co

**ACN** 661 123 404

Registered business address 100 Wimbridge Road

PICTON WA 6229

**DWER file number** DER2014/001843

**Duration** 01/10/2015 to 30/09/2027

Date of amendment 27/05/2024

Premises details Dardanup Butchering Company Abattoir

100 Wimbridge Road PICTON WA 6229

Legal description – Lot 100 on Plan 61127

Prescribed premises category description (Schedule 1, <i>Environmental Protection Regulations 1987</i> )	Assessed production throughput
Category 15: Abattoir: premises on which animals are slaughtered.	30,000 tonnes per annual period (liveweight)

This licence is granted to the licence holder, subject to the attached conditions, on 27 May 2024 by:

MANAGER, PROCESS INDUSTRIES REGULATORY SERVICES

an officer delegated under section 20 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986 (WA)

# **Licence history**

Date	Instrument	Summary of changes
24/09/2015	L5177/1989/13	Licence renewed for 5 years.
29/04/2016	L5177/1989/13	Amendment by notice – licence duration extended to 2027.
03/11/2016	L5177/1989/13	Amendment notice 1 – update to irrigation areas, monitoring and reporting requirements. Improvement requirement to submit an updated NIMP deleted.
09/09/2020	L5177/1989/13	Licence amendment for construction of new lairage yards and removal of category 55.
20/02/2023	L5177/1989/13	Licence transferred from Dardanup Butchering Company Nominees Pty Ltd to Cutting Cart Pty Ltd.
27/05/2024	L5177/1989/13	Licence amendment for the installation of an AMIAD membrane filtration system, MD screw press, discharge tank, filter permeate tank and filter feed tank and changes to wastewater pathways. Includes department-initiated changes to require the submission of a nutrient management plan to support a future amendment application to hold sheep in the wastewater disposal areas and the monitoring of the off-site discharge of abattoir wastewater to Water Corporation sewer.

# Interpretation

In this licence:

- (a) the words 'including', 'includes' and 'include' in conditions mean "including but not limited to", and similar, as appropriate;
- (b) where any word or phrase is given a defined meaning, any other part of speech or other grammatical form of that word or phrase has a corresponding meaning;
- (c) where tables are used in a condition, each row in a table constitutes a separate condition;
- (d) any reference to an Australian or other standard, guideline, or code of practice in this licence:
  - (i) if dated, refers to that particular version; and
  - (ii) if not dated, refers to the latest version and therefore may be subject to change over time:
- (e) unless specified otherwise, any reference to a section of an Act refers to that section of the EP Act; and
- (f) unless specified otherwise, all definitions are in accordance with the EP Act.

**NOTE:** This licence requires specific conditions to be met but does not provide any implied 2uthorization for other emissions, discharges, or activities not specified in this licence.

## **Licence conditions**

The licence holder must ensure that the following conditions are complied with:

### Infrastructure and equipment

1. The licence holder must ensure that the site infrastructure and equipment listed in Table 1 and located at the corresponding infrastructure location is maintained and operated in accordance with the corresponding operational requirement set out in Table 1.

Table 1: Infrastructure and equipment requirements

Item	Infrastructure and equipment	Operational requirement		Infrastructure location - schedule 1
Abatt	oir			
1	Slaughterhouse	a)	All wastewater generated from the slaughterhouse must be directed to the wastewater treatment system (WTS) for treatment prior to on-site and off-site disposal.	Shown as: 'Abattoir building' in Figure 3, Site layout map
Wast	ewater collection, treatment and d	isposal		
2	Wastewater Treatment System (WTS) located on a concrete hardstand, consisting of the following:  Screw extractor located within a concrete lined sump  Rotary screen located on a concrete hardstand area that drains back to the WTS  Dissolved air flotation impermeable tank (DAF)  AMIAD membrane filtration system  Anaerobic tank (impermeable) (EEI highrate anaerobic reactor technology (HART) tank)  Area: 4, 421 m³ Volume: 120 kL  MD Screw Press  Pond 1 (advanced nutrient removal unit process (ANRUP) pond) that is  HDPE-lined  Pond 2 (phosphorus removal and holding pond) that is	c)	All treatment and storage vessels or compounds must be maintained free of leaks. All solids generated on site from the WTS must be directed to dedicated solid waste collection bins for disposal offsite to a facility which is licensed to accept the waste.  All solids generated from the desludging of ponds will be dewatered in geobags for off-site disposal to a licensed waste facility.  A minimum 300 mm freeboard must be maintained for Pond 1 and Pond 2.  Stormwater runoff from site drainage must be prevented from entering the ponds or causing erosion of outer pond embankments.  Vegetation and floating debris (emergent or otherwise) must not encroach onto the surface or inner pond embankments.  Trapped overflows are maintained at the ponds discharge point(s) to prevent	Shown as: 'Pond 1, Pond 2 and Anaerobic tank', in Figure 1, Premises map 'DAF Area and AMIAD filter with permeate tank' in Figure 3, Site layout map

Item	Infrastructure and equipment	Operational requirement	Infrastructure location - schedule 1
	o HDPE-lined	carryover of surface floating matter to the subsequent pond or irrigation area.	scriedule i
3	Waste containment vessels consisting of:  Recycled Water Tank (120 kL)  Discharge tank (250 kL)  Filter feed tank (14 kL)  Filter sludge tank (7 kL)  Metal bin (waste from screw extractor and rotating screen)  Truck / Metal bin (waste from DAF)  New Truck / bin (waste from MD Screw Press)  "once installed"  Two by-products areas used to store animal material, located on a concrete hardstand area comprising of:  Blood tank (fiberglass)  Hopper / bins (paunch from animals)  Truck / trailers  Animal bi-products suitable for rendering	<ul> <li>a) Waste material must only be stored within vessels or compounds that are free from leaks.</li> <li>b) Waste disposed off-site must only be disposed of at a waste facility licensed to accept the type of waste.</li> <li>c) All bins must be covered when not in use and removed from the site at least once daily when the abattoir is operating.</li> <li>d) Byproduct (offal, bones, blood, skins) must be directed to trucks for offsite disposal or render at a facility licensed to accept the waste or material.</li> <li>e) Blood must be directed to the fibreglass tank (blood) prior to offsite disposal.</li> <li>f) The fiberglass tank (blood) must be emptied daily for offsite disposal or render.</li> </ul>	Shown as: 'Recycled water tank, Discharge tank, Filter feed tank, Filter sludge tank, Blood tank and By-products area' in Figure 3, Site layout map
Sludg	ge dewatering pad		
4	Pond sludge dewatering pad consisting of:  • An impervious and bunded limestone pad  • Leachate collection sump, pipes and and pump	<ul> <li>a) All sludge or dewatering bags must only be dewatered on the limestone dewatering pad</li> <li>b) All leachate generated from dewatering activities must be directed back into Pond 1.</li> </ul>	Shown as: 'Pond sludge dewatering pad' in Figure 1, Premises map
Waste	ewater disposal and irrigation		
5	10.23 Ha wastewater disposal area consisting of Irrigation areas # 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10 & 11	<ul> <li>a) Irrigation may only occur from the discharge tank and Pond 2 through irrigation flow meters F1: 142541D350 and F2: 143541D350.</li> <li>b) Prior to irrigation from Pond 2 occurring, sampling in</li> </ul>	Shown as: 'Irrigation areas' #1 to #11 in Figure 2,
		accordance with condition 8,	'Discharge

Item	Infrastructure and equipment	Operation	Infrastructure	
				location - schedule 1
		c) On mu wa out ma dis irrige (a) No wa f) The spi beg (b) He ma are h) Irrige wit defation of the control of t	eated wastewater is evenly stributed over all the igation areas. It is soil erosion or ponding of astewater will occur. In the igation area is no direct runoff, aray drift or discharge by ond the disposal area. It is ealthy vegetation cover is a intained over the irrigation	tank' in Figure 3, Site layout map  'Pond 2' in Figure 1 Premises map  'F1 & F2 flow meters' in Figure 1, Premises map
6	Water corporation sewerage connection and Tradewaste flow meter- N1 ND285003 (N1)	wa off- sev b) All dis mu me	pattoir wastewater (trade aste) may be discharged f-site to Water corporation wer.  I trade waste being scharged off-site to sewer ust pass through flow eter N1 and the volumes scharged recorded.	Shown as: 'Water corp. sample area' in Figure 3, Site layout map
Laira	ge/holding yards			
7	New sheep and pig lairage yards (holding pen) (once constructed): Covered with a concrete floor and perimeter wall, comprising of 16 pens with a central race and a capacity to hold not more than 1,500 sheep and lambs, or 850 pigs at any time.	the wa b) Bu arc	I drains and bunds within e yards must direct all astewater to the WTS unds or drains maintained ound lairage yards to clude stormwater flows.	Shown as: 'Sheep and pig lairage yards' and 'Cattle lairage yards' in Figure 3, Site layout map
	Cattle lairage yards: Undercover with concrete floor with collection sumps and pump stations to transfer screened wastewater to the WTS.  Existing sheep and pig lairage			

Item	Infrastructure and equipment	Operational requirement	Infrastructure location - schedule 1
	yards: Concrete lined, bunded and sloped to prevent runoff of contaminated water or discharge of animal waste into the environment.		
Hide	and skin shed		
8	Undercover hide and skin shed with concrete floor	a) All wastewater generated from the shed must directed to a blind sump for collection and disposal off-site to a licensed liquid waste facility.	Shown as: 'Hide and skin shed' in Figure 3, Site layout map

#### Construction of infrastructure

- 2. The licence holder must construct and undertake the works for the infrastructure specified in Table 2, and to the requirements listed in that table.
- 3. Subject to condition 2, within 28 days of the completion of the works specified in Table 2, the licence holder must submit to the CEO an environmental compliance report that:
  - (a) lists and describes the completed works and any associated items of infrastructure listed in Table 2:
  - (b) certifies whether or not each item of infrastructure or component of infrastructure specified in Table 2 has been constructed, complies with the corresponding requirements in that table and contains any material defects;
  - (c) contains 'as constructed' plans for each item of infrastructure or component of infrastructure specified in Table 2; and
  - (d) is signed by a person authorised by the licence holder and contains the printed name and position of that person within the company.
- **4.** Subject to condition 3(b), where an item of infrastructure or component of infrastructure has been certified as not being constructed, or does not comply with the corresponding requirements, or contains material defects, the licence holder must:
  - (a) correct the non-compliant or defective works, prior to re-certifying in accordance with condition 3(b); or
  - (b) provide to the CEO a description of, and explanation for, any departures from the requirements listed in Table 2 that do not require rectification and do not constitute a material defect, along with the report required by condition 3.

#### Table 2: Infrastructure requirements table

Infrastructure	Requirements (design and construction)
New pig and sheep lairage yard	(a) Must be constructed in accordance with the specifications outlined in the drawing 'DRG No. 2020-7395-02' (Schedule 2);
	(b) Must be constructed with impervious (e.g. concrete-lined) floors, kerbing and drainage channels that are sloped to allow diversion and collection of wastes from wash-down;
	(c) Must include at least two (2) impervious (e.g. concrete-lined) sumps, with solids screening infrastructure, to contain wastes prior to transfer to the WTS; and
	(d) Must include infrastructure to transfer screened wastewater to the existing WTS.

#### **Emissions**

#### **Emissions of wastewater to land**

**5.** The licence holder must not cause or allow wastewater emissions to land greater than the limits listed in Table 3.

Table 3: Emissions to land

Emission point reference	Parameter	Limit (including units)
Wastewater irrigation	Total nitrogen	250 kg/ha/annual period
areas:	Total phosphorus	20 kg/ha/annual period
#1- 1.35 ha #2- 1.14 ha #3- 9.64 ha #4- 8.17 ha #5- 9.32 ha #6- 7.67 ha #7- 13.25 ha #8- 5.44 ha #9- 6.14 ha #10- 4.90 ha #11- 13.05 ha	BOD	30 kg/ha/day

### **Monitoring**

#### **General monitoring**

- **6.** The licence holder must ensure that:
  - (a) all water samples are collected and preserved in accordance with AS/NZS 5667.1;
  - (b) all wastewater sampling is conducted in accordance with AS/NZS 5667.10;
  - (c) all groundwater sampling is conducted in accordance with AS/NZS 5667.11; and
  - (d) all laboratory samples are submitted to and tested by a laboratory with current NATA accreditation for the parameters being measured.
- 7. The licence holder must ensure that quarterly monitoring is undertaken at least 45 days apart.

#### Monitoring of emissions to land

**8.** The licence holder must undertake the monitoring in Table 4 according to the specifications in that table.

Table 4: Monitoring of emissions to land

Emission point references	Monitoring point reference	Parameter	Units	Averaging period	Frequency
Irrigation areas #1, #2, #3, #4, #5, #6, #7, #8, #9, #10 and #11	Flowmeters: • F1 (North): 142541D350. • F2 (South): 143541D350.	Volumetric flow rate	Cubic metres (m³) or kL discharged to each irrigation area	Monthly	Continuous
	Discharge	рН	No unit	Spot sample	Quarterly
	tank (250 kL)	TDS	mg/L		from Discharge Tank
	and Pond 2	TSS			
		BOD			rank
		Total nitrogen			On each
		Total phosphorus			occasion a
		Ammonium- nitrogen			discharge from Pond 2 occurs
		Nitrate + nitrite- nitrogen			occurs

#### **Monitoring of inputs and outputs**

**9.** The licence holder must undertake the monitoring in Table 5 according to the specifications in that table.

**Table 5: Monitoring of inputs and outputs** 

Input / Output	Parameter	Units	Averaging period	Frequency
Livestock received at premises	Animals	Number	Annual	Each batch arriving at premises
Animals to be slaughtered	Liveweight of animals	tonnes (estimated)		Estimated from number of livestock received at premises
Slaughtered animals	Hot standard carcase weight (HSCW)	kilograms (weighed)		Total of all animals slaughtered on the premises, by species
Tradewaste (Flow meter: N1 D285003) discharged to Water Corporation sewer	Abattoir wastewater (trade waste)	kL	month	cumulative volumes of trade waste discharged to sewer each month

### **Monitoring of ambient groundwater**

**10.** The licence holder must undertake the monitoring in Table 6 according to the specifications in that table.

Table 6: Monitoring of ambient groundwater quality

Monitoring locations as shown in Schedule 1, Figure 1	Parameter	Units	Averaging period	Frequency
Groundwater monitoring	Standing water level	m AHD	Spot sample	Quarterly
bores : MB1, MB2, MB3	рН	No unit		
	TDS	mg/L		
	TSS			
	Total nitrogen			
	Total phosphorus			

#### **Records and reporting**

- **11.** All information and records required by the licence must:
  - (a) be legible:
  - (b) if amended, be amended in such a way that the original and subsequent amendments remain legible and are capable of retrieval;
  - except for records listed in condition 11(d), be retained for at least 6 years from the date the records were made or until the expiry of the licence or any subsequent licence; and;
  - (d) for those following records, be retained until the expiry of the licence and any subsequent licence:
    - (i) off-site environmental effects; or
    - (ii) matters which affect the condition of the land or waters.
- **12.** The licence holder must:
  - (a) undertake an audit of their compliance with the conditions of this licence during the preceding annual period; and
  - (b) prepare and submit to the CEO, by no later than 1 March in each year, an Annual Audit Compliance Report in the approved form.
- 13. The licence holder must implement a complaints management system that as a minimum, records the number and details of complaints received concerning the environmental impact of the activities undertaken at the premises and any action taken in response to the complaint.
- **14.** The licence holder must maintain accurate and auditable books including the following records, information, reports and data required by this licence:
  - (a) the calculation of fees payable in respect of this licence;
  - (b) the maintenance of infrastructure required to ensure that it is kept in good working order in accordance with condition 2 of this licence;
  - (c) monitoring undertaken in accordance with conditions 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 of this licence;
  - (d) the calculation of annual total liveweight of animals slaughtered (data provided for each species); and
  - (e) complaints received under condition 13 of this licence.

## **Submission of a Nutrient Management Plan**

- **15.** The licence holder must submit to the CEO by 31 August 2024, a Nutrient Management Plan.
- **16.** The Nutrient Management Plan required by condition 15, shall include, but not be limited to:

- (a) describe the irrigation area, irrigation discharge rates, nutrient inputs from manure, irrigation schedule and irrigated crop or vegetation.
- (b) describe the locations, sheep numbers and rotations where sheep are proposed to be held within the irrigation areas (visual maps and explanations);
- (c) provide site-specific nutrient loading rates, based on the irrigated crops' ability to assimilate nutrients, and export nutrients through biomass harvesting; and
- (d) demonstrate how vegetation within all the irrigation area will be maintained with healthy coverage over the irrigation areas, including damage done by sheep overgrazing and trampling.
- 17. The licence holder must submit to the CEO an annual environmental report by no later than 1 March each year. The report must contain the information listed in Table 7.

Table 7: Annual environmental report

Condition or table	Parameter
-	Summary of any failure or malfunction of any pollution control equipment and any environmental incidents that have occurred during the annual period and any action taken
Table 3	(a) Present wastewater monitoring data in tabulated and graphical form that includes the sample date
	(b) Present monthly and annual tabulated loadings of nitrogen, phosphorus and BOD applied to each of the irrigation areas using the Nutrient loading calculator in Appendix 1
Table 4	(c) Wastewater monitoring data in tabulated and graphical form that includes the sample date.
	(d) Present monthly and annual tabulated loadings of nitrogen, phosphorus and BOD applied to the irrigation areas using the Nutrient Loading Spreadsheet in Appendix 1.
	(e) Present monthly photographic evidence illustrating the date, the flow meter serial number and flow meter readings for flow meter F1 and flow meter F2.
Table 5	Monitoring of inputs and outputs
Table 6	(a) Groundwater monitoring data in tabulated and graphical form including the sampling date.
	(b) An assessment and interpretation of the data including comparison to historical trends and loading limits (minimum of 5 years).
	(c) Copies of all laboratory sample analysis reports.
Condition 12	A summary of compliance against each licence condition (AACR)
Condition 13	A summary of complaints recorded for the annual period

**18.** The licence holder must ensure the report required by condition 17 also contains an assessment of the information contained within against previous monitoring results and licence limits.

#### **Definitions**

In this licence, the terms in Table 8 have the meanings defined.

**Table 8: Definitions** 

Term	Definition
AHD	Australian Height Datum

Term	Definition
Annual Audit Compliance Report (AACR)	means a report submitted in a format approved by the CEO (relevant guidelines and templates may be available on the Department's website).
annual period	means the inclusive period from 1 January until 31 December in the same year
AS/NZS 5667.1	means the Australian Standard AS/NZS 5667.1 Water Quality – Sampling – Guidance on the design of sampling programs, sampling techniques and the preservation and handling of samples
AS/NZS 5667.10	means the Australian Standard AS/NZS 5667.10 Water Quality – Sampling – Guidance on sampling of waste waters
AS/NZS 5667.11	means the Australian Standard AS/NZS 5667.11 Water Quality – Sampling – Guidance on sampling of groundwaters
averaging period	means the time over which a limit is measured or a monitoring result is obtained
BOD	Biochemical oxygen demand
CEO	means Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation.  "submit to / notify the CEO" (or similar) means either:  Director General  Department Administering the Environmental Protection Act 1986 Locked Bag 10 JOONDALUP DC WA 6919  or:  info@dwer.wa.gov.au
Department	means the department established under section 35 of the <i>Public Sector Management Act 1994</i> and designated as responsible for the administration of the EP Act, which includes Part V, Division 3
discharge	has the same meaning given to that term under the EP Act
emission	has the same meaning given to that term under the EP Act
EP Act	means the Environmental Protection Act 1986 (WA)
freeboard	means the distance between the maximum water surface elevations and the top of retaining banks or structures at their lowest point
hardstand	means a surface with a permeability of 10 <sup>-9</sup> metres/second or less
HSCW	means the carcase weight of an animal once dressed and trimmed according to the standard carcase definition for that animal species, and measured hot at the end of the slaughter chain, before being transferred to the chillers
HDPE	High density polyethylene
licence	means this document, which evidences the grant of a licence by the CEO under section 57 of the EP Act, subject to the specified conditions contained within
licence holder	refers to the occupier of the premises being the person to whom this licence has been granted, as specified at the front of this licence
NATA	National Association of Testing Authorities, Australia
NATA accredited	means in relation to the analysis of a sample that the laboratory is NATA accredited for the specified analysis at the time of the analysis
premises	means the premises to which this licence applies, as specified at the front of this licence and as shown on the map in Schedule 1 to this licence

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Term	Definition
prescribed premises	has the same meaning given to that term under the EP Act
quarterly	means the 4 inclusive periods from 1 January to 31 March, 1 April to 30 June, 1 July to 30 September and 1 October to 31 December in the same year
spot sample	means a discrete sample representative of the time and place at which the sample is taken
TDS	Total dissolved solids
TSS	Total suspended solids

### **END OF CONDITIONS**

# **Schedule 1: Maps**

Premises map with irrigation areas and monitoring bores

Figure 1: The boundary of the prescribed premises is shown in red in the map above. Treated wastewater for irrigation from the Discharge Tank bypasses Pond 2 and discharges directly through the existing flow meters (F1: 142541D350 and F2: 143541D350.) to the irrigation paddocks (connected to irrigation pumps north and south). The pipe connecting the discharge tank to the irrigation pumps, bypassing the F1 and F2 flow meters is shown in pink above.

# **Wastewater irrigation areas**

Figure 2: The above map shows a visual representation of the paddocks on the premises used for treated wastewater irrigation.

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Site layout map

Figure 3: The premises site layout map with labelled infrastructure is provided above.

# **Schedule 2: Drawings**

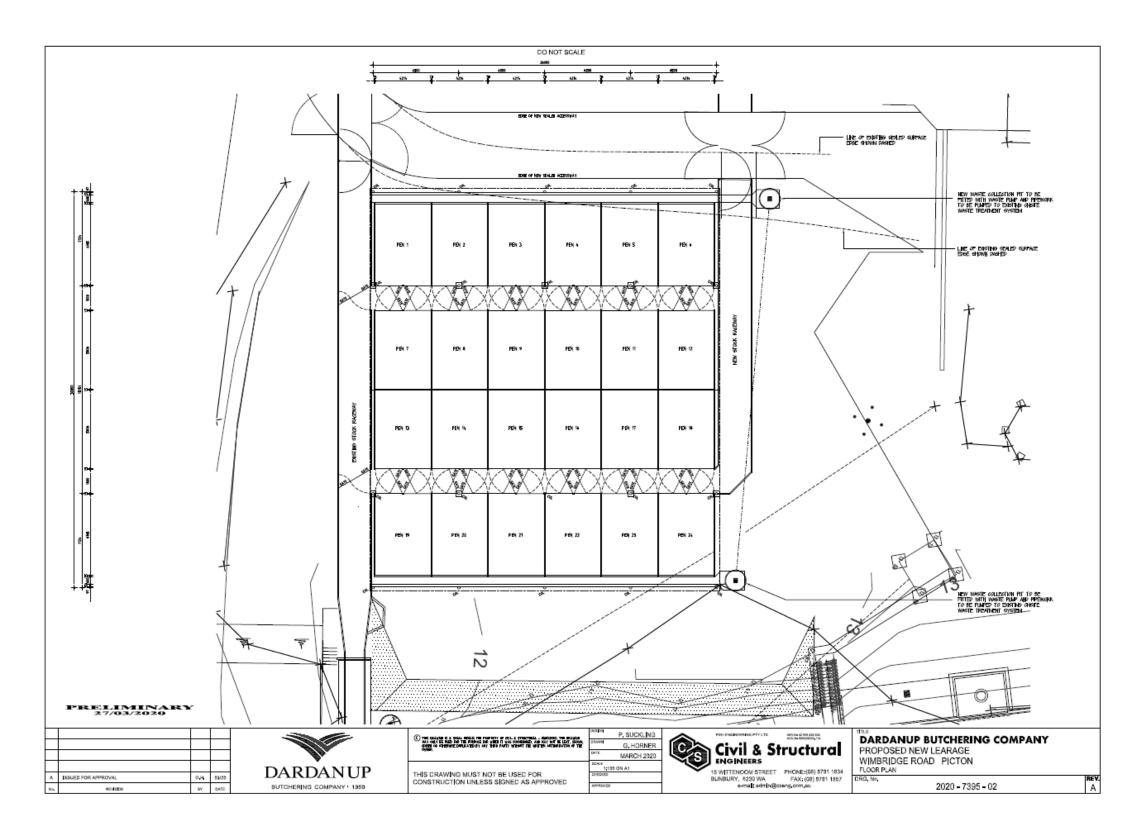


Figure 4: Proposed new pig and sheep lairage

# **Appendix 1: Nutrient loading calculator**