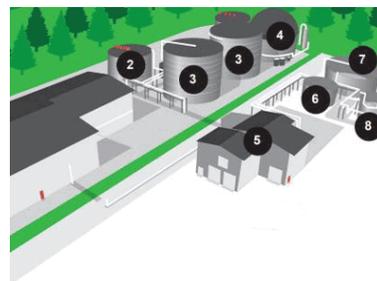


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Groundbreaking Begins for Sustainable Resource Facility

Our vision is becoming reality as Nicholas Meat began site preparation for its Sustainable Resource Facility (SRF) in April 2021. With the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit approved, the company will start construction this spring on the project that is estimated to take 18-24 months to complete. “We’re very excited to break ground on this project and move closer to delivering the benefits of the SRF to the community, the environment and the company,” says Nicholas Meat’s Director of Sustainability, Brian Miller, who has led the company’s efforts on this project from the beginning. When the new SRF is operational, the land application of food processing residuals (FPR) will be dramatically reduced. Sewage and FPR will be treated separately through the [SRF](#) where:

- Water is reused, minimizing impact on the aquifer.
- Digested solids will become a nutrient-rich fertilizer that adds organic matter to the soil and reduces the need for chemical fertilizers.

The [SRF](#) is an innovative and comprehensive environmental management system that will allow Nicholas Meat to reuse wastewater and generate green energy from biogas. ([Click here to see a video about the SRF.](#))

Once operational, the [SRF](#) will feature multiple benefits including:

- Anaerobic digesters create renewable energy, replacing fossil fuels, decreasing carbon footprint
- Digestion occurs in an enclosed environment, capturing greenhouse gases and odors
- Water treatment system maximizes water reuse, reducing water demand
- Digested solids become nutrient-rich fertilizer for farmland
- Truck traffic is reduced
- Odor is minimized

“Our air, water and natural resources have been entrusted to us as a people and a company,” explains Miller. “It’s our responsibility to be stewards of these resources and ensure they are preserved for generations to come. The SRF helps deliver on this commitment.”

Interested in learning more about the [SRF](#)? Sign up for periodic updates by emailing info@nicholasmeats.com.

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