



Hoosier Pride Egg Farm

Bryant, Indiana



We hate to paint."

That was the answer given by Keith Boeckman, General Manager/Owner of Hoosier Pride Egg Farm, when asked, why he specified hot-dip galvanized (HDG) steel for corrosion protection. The culmination of years of planning and visiting farms throughout the US and Europe is this massive egg farm in Bryant, Indiana. Six farm families joined under Boeckman's management to build the largest egg producing farm in the United States. In full production, the farm will include six buildings housing 330,000 chickens each for a total of nearly 2,000,000 chickens. They will produce 1,800,000 eggs per day.

A final building 70' x 502' x 36' high will process the manure for sale as a by-product of the egg production. Such a hostile and corrosive environment required the most stalwart corrosion protection system available. Hot-dip galvanizing was chosen over paint based on the ability of the galvanized steel to be cleaned repeatedly, its smooth metallic appearance, the durability and corrosion resistance in a hostile environment, and

because it requires little to no maintenance. Galvanizing was also highly recommended by the state-of-the-art plant owners in Italy.

"We want to concentrate our efforts on egg production, not repeated repainting and touchup." He added, "Think how aggressive the environment is in a manure building that will hold manure 70' wide 500' long and 14' deep. Galvanizing is the only coating that would work."

As the largest egg producer in the US, Hoosier sets the standard by which all other egg farms are judged. Sustainable reuse of manure by-products and on site cleaning, quality checks, and packing make this one of the most innovative food production facilities in the world, and galvanized steel will help facilitate this production while keeping the structure corrosion-free for decades. 🐔

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