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Today we are commenting on the ground water report in our valley.

We are very disappointed that during the GWMA it's seem to lack other stakeholders in our valley such as tree fruit,hops,mint Vineyard and other commodities. Where was the rest of agriculture/commodities ?
In this report.

We have been dairy farmers in this valley for the last 38 years. We have always been proud to live in the Yakima valley but what's been going on in regards to targeting dairies as being the sole polluter is wrong. In our past years experience, when coming to this valley there were sugar beet, potatoes and unlimited amounts of nitrogen applied to fields which were rill irrigated.

What about the septic systems in the valley that are not regulated?

What about the legacy of farming practices that occurred in the valley multiple decades ago?

What about if all of agriculture work together to solve this problem?

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