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We strenuously oppose land application of sewage. The application of these substances is the same as playing Russian Roulette with our health and the health of generations to come. These harmful substances contaminate the ground and make our food host to an unknown amount of contaminants as well as run off and constantly go down the drain in municipalities. The testing is inadequate (only test for nine heavy metals, nitrogen and selected pathogens) and leaves unexamined the many chemicals, micro-plastics, pharmaceuticals, and the infamous alphabet soup of ubiquitous super toxins now headed by PFAS (Per- and PolyFluoroAlkyl substances).

Before applying sludge, a rigorous testing criteria needs to be designed and executed to protect public health. It is the government's job to protect "We the People" from harmful chemicals indiscriminately flushed into our sewers. If we can't prove it is safe, we shouldn't be doing it. First, do no harm should be our motto.

Respectfully,  
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