

# Roberta Brittingham

Washington Department of Ecology.

Dear Chelsea Morris,

The purpose of this letter is to communicate to the Department of Ecology my opposition to the CAFO rules as drafted in your publication. I furthermore, concur with the comments of Okanogan, Thurston and Yakima County Farm Bureaus. We need to work with those raising livestock on a small scale providing locally sourced food. Applying CAFO standards to small operations, will be devastating to local food production and our overall food security. Dept of ECOLOGY must recognize the work of the Voluntary Stewardship program and local conservation districts. Instead of regulating, Dept of Ecology needs to encourage participation in these voluntary programs that have already proven to protect water quality.

Sincerely,

Roberta Brittingham.