

# Jon Borcharding

I oppose the CAFO rules as drafted and concur with the comments of the Benton, Grant, Okanogan, Thurston and Yakima County Farm Bureaus.

We need to work with those who raise livestock on a small scale providing locally sourced food. Applying CAFO standards to small operations would be devastating to local food production and overall food security. This is particularly troubling as the proposed CAFO regs come at a time when we are experiencing unprecedented disruptions in food supply lines, rapidly rising feed costs, fertilizer shortages and rampant inflation.

Families and local producers need and DEMAND the freedom to produce necessary food on their own private property.

Ecology must recognize the work of the Volunteer Stewardship Program and local conservation districts instead of pushing for heavy-handed regulation.

Sincerely,  
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