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Dear Chelsea Morris: I oppose the CAFO rules as drafted and concur with the comment of 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 will be devastating to local food production and our overall food security. Ecology must recognize the work of the Voluntary Stewardship Program and local conservation districts.

Instead of regulating, Ecology needs to encourage participation in voluntary programs which have proven to protect water quality.

As a land owner in Washington State I feel education and voluntary participation in protection of our water is much more powerful and sustainable than punitive enforcement.

Thank you for your time

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