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Ms Chelsea Morris

I'm writing to say I'm opposed to the CAFO rules as drafted and agree with the comments of Okanogan, Thurston and Yakima County Farm Bureaus. We need to work with those who raise livestock on a small scale which supplies locally sourced food.

Applying CAFO standards to small operations will be devastating to the local food producers and our overall food security. DOE must recognize the work of the Voluntary Stewardship Program and/or the local conservation districts.

Rather than regulating, DOE needs to encourage participation in these voluntary programs which are proven to protect water quality.

Please reconsider and develop another draft for the Small CAFO. Thank you