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Dear Ms. Morris --

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

Please don't take away my ability to provide food for me and my family with seemingly arbitrary rules and regulations.

Applying CAFO standards to individuals and small operations will be devastating to local food production and our overall food security.

Ecology should recognize the work of the Voluntary Stewardship Program and local conservation districts. Instead of regulating, Ecology needs to encourage participation in these voluntary programs, proven to protect water quality.

Sincerely,

John T. Arrabito