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Dear Miss Morris, I oppose the CAFO rules as drafted and concur with the comments of Okanogan, Thurston and Yakima Farm bureaus. We need to work with those who raise livestock on small scales providing locally sourced food. Applying CAFO standards to small operations will be devastating to local food production and 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 on these voluntary programs, proven to protect water quality.

Regards,
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