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I support the permit being issued, However, it has not been proved that manure sealed lagoons leak. Many lagoons have been drilled and no leaching has been found. Have Simplots lagoons been tested? Are they leaching? Is there proof that a breach has occurred? Is there good science on these lining methods or is this just a feel good requirement?

Furthermore, the correlation between manure application on farm fields and high nitrogen in ground water has never been proven. The hypothesis of the study conducted was disproved yet the study is still being used to regulate. Are these requirements for monthly sampling based in science? Does the manure application time release over several months? Does Simplot over apply regularly? Is there evidence of nitrogen leaching into the 2 ft and 3ft zone? Is there a difference in simplots soil samples vs their neighbors that use synthetic fertilizer? I do not support over reaching regulations that burden good businesses.