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Greetings, thank you for the opportunity to provide early, general comments on the CAFO general permit.

I appreciate the desire for efficient production of food, but I believe CAFOs have many unintended consequences. The permit should reduce the number of qualifying animals in order to better monitor and protect soil, air and water quality. The permit should reflect requirements of the HEAL act to better address documented adverse CAFO impacts to local communities. Monitoring and enforcement provisions should be strengthened. Lastly, recommendations from animal welfare advocates should be reflected in the permit.