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As a farmer and a community leader, I am encouraged by the important progress being made in the feedlot permit process and the requirements around best practices for manure management. I most heartily support the requirements that all manure in vulnerable groundwater areas be incorporated into the soil that sustains perennial or cover crops. In the words of America's finest agrarian thinker, Wendell Berry, "Once plants and animals were raised together on the same farm - which therefore neither produced unmanageable surpluses of manure, to be wasted and to pollute the water supply, nor depended on such quantities of commercial fertilizer. The genius of American farm experts is very well demonstrated here: they can take a solution and divide it neatly into two problems." It's time to turn our efforts back to the solution that uses manure in responsible, regenerative ways and avoids the health risks and environmental degradation of basins and winter application. PLEASE continue to support these important efforts to protect OUR land and OUR water.

Sincerely,
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