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Please complete an Environmental Impact Statement on the proposed Riverview Dairy Expansion. My family lives in an area with 6 Riverview Dairies. Given the high concentration of dairies and heavy daily water use, how will water quality and supply change in 5, 10, or 20 years.

What impact will rivers, streams, aquifers, and wells face?

Land ownership and rental arrangements are becoming more concentrated among a small group of individuals or entities that are associated with the dairies.

How will the roads stand up to the constant heavy traffic of the equipment and trucks used during their harvest of hay ledge and silage? The equipment moves regardless of the weather or road conditions.

I encourage you to protect the future of our land and environment.

The decisions made now will have a profound impact on the quality of life for future generations.

We all need to open our eyes and see what is happening!

If this massive expansion is approved, what is to stop them from expanding every existing dairy?

There are still many unanswered questions about the impact of large dairy farms on communities, such as nearby towns, businesses, schools, churches, cooperatives, and grain elevators.

So, again I ask, please complete an Environmental Impact Statement on the proposed Riverview Dairy Expansion.