

## Judith RILEY

Thank you for this opportunity to comment on the West River Dairy Expansion.

I am not a farmer. I have never even milked a cow.

While I care about the environment and the impact a particular operation might have on it, my knowledge and experience with this type of issue is minimal at best.

What I do know, with more than 50 years of experience working with a variety of individuals and businesses in the area of public relations and communication, is whether or not those individuals or businesses have integrity, work and operate responsibly, and consider the effect they have on those around them.

My knowledge of Riverview comes from an entirely different perspective. I am a townhome owner in one of the many Morris neighborhoods that Riverview is developing. In my experience working with Riverview as they construct and manage new properties in our townhome community, I am impressed even on this small scale with Riverview employees' concern about the impact that their presence has on the existing homeowners. They have consulted with us and included us in the conversation as they build new townhomes in our neighborhood.

In an effort to further understand how this expansion might affect area farmers and land owners, I have talked with both farmers and county officials to get their perspective. To a person, they are not concerned about the impact this expansion would have on the environment.

I have no doubt that Riverview would operate this new facility with the same care and integrity for which they are already known.