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Hello,

As a farmer and community member, I am very concerned about the number of gigantic animal operations in our region. The "concentration" aspect of these industrial actors means that they simply cannot spread their manure on enough acres to manage, and if they get close it will mean huge amounts of wear and tear on our roads as heavy trucks filled with manure drive over them. Additionally, it is not clear that in the event of a mass mortality event, the business has access to necessary levels of carcass disposal. This feedlot is already dangerously large, so any additional expansion would put the surrounding community at risk. Further, we do not know what risks this type of operation poses to groundwater.

This expansion requires an EIS by any common sense metric, and the law should be change to make such an assessment automatic when any permit of this size is requested.

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