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Please consider the following questions regarding the expansion of West River Dairy.

- Has the dairy sufficiently accounted for increasing incidence of 25-year 24-hour precipitation incidents? Has it also adequately accounted for the effects of El Nino and La Nina and the potential consequences for leakage?
- Given that the manure from the cows will be used as fertilizer on fields that will supply alfalfa for the cows, what are the long-term consequences of this closed-circuit consumption? Will the milk degrade in nutritional content? Will the likelihood of health issues increase?
- Furthermore, what will the environmental impact of this alfalfa monoculture be over time on the soil and on the surrounding ecosystem?
- The EAW states that Riverview will “look for signs of discoloration or odor that may indicate an issue with the liner.” There appears to be no other method for ascertaining the efficacy of the manure liner. Are “signs of discoloration or odor” sufficient? Are we willing to accept “may” as the terms here? If seams open in the bottom of the liner, will there be surface-level evidence of the leak? If not, how long will it be before anyone notices?
- What will the impact to the public be in more than doubled truck traffic—in road maintenance, traffic noise, CO2 emissions?
- How many family dairy farms will be forced out of business by this expansion?