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The River View dairy expansion is proposed to be located precisely at the front door of my childhood home. Although we no longer own the farm site, we do own farm land 1 mile south and 3 miles north of the proposed site. My immediate concern was what I considered lack of transparency-it took me multiple inquiries to get an answer on the township and section number for the expansion. Until then, my neighbors and I were thinking: "not in my backyard" therefore doesn't concern me. How wrong were we.

My next thought was a fading memory of "didn't something happen at their Arizona site"? Stevens County Minnesota should not be allowed to be their second disaster case. Lastly my concern is for that possibility of contamination of the local watershed and drying up underground water sources for my neighbors and possible future residents of our family's land.

Please require all of the appropriate studies of the proposed River View expansion.

Thank you,

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