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They say an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure. Riverview, LLP's operation has the potential to pollute nearby already-fragile waterways. And a proposal that would generate over 200 million gallons of liquid manure and wastewater annually—plus 26,400 tons of solid manure—should be examined with great care.

The DNR hasn't begun the hydrologic survey or completed the County Geologic Atlas for Stevens County, so aquifers and groundwater resources aren't mapped—making it risky to permit large withdrawal.

Advancing permits without a full understanding of groundwater and water-quality risks is irresponsible.

We Minnesotans take pride in our clean environment and this factory farm has the potential to create long-term, negative consequences to our land and water. It is critical that the MPCA require a full Environmental Impact Statement.