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Letting this be built is a huge mistake. It is nearly twice as big as any current operations in the state. It would be using massive amounts of water: Riverview would pump up to 226 million gallons/year from an off-site well—nearly as much as the entire City of Morris. The facility would generate about 202.7 million gallons of liquid manure and wastewater annually, plus 26,400 tons of solid manure. We don't know the groundwater impacts. 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 withdrawals now. The waters nearby are already listed as sensitive or damaged. The project would likely worsen these impairments. The Riverview Dairy project must be required to get an Environmental Impact Statement.