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If MPCA okays this expansion of the feedlot for the dairy, how will you safeguard the drinking water from nitrates? A.I. says: "Stevens County, like many areas in Minnesota, may face issues with nitrate contamination in groundwater, primarily due to agricultural activities and other human-made sources. Elevated nitrate levels can pose health risks, particularly to infants." and

"Nitrate levels in Stevens County's drinking water have been reported to exceed the Environmental Working Group's health guideline by significant amounts, with some tests showing levels 12 to 31 times above the guideline of 0.14 parts per million. This indicates a serious concern for water quality in the area."

Nitrate pollution in the drinking water is already a problem in Stevens County. Don't make it worse by approving this feedlot expansion.

Air pollution? Water pollution? Pollution of the land from excessive manure?

Please don't degrade our environment even more by doubling the size of the dairy.

Please protect the quality of life of the people of Minnesota. That is your reason to exist. Please honor it.

Corporations must find ways to be profitable without destroying our quality of life. You need to guarantee us a decent quality of life, and the quality of life for the people living within a 10 mile radius of that dairy has been severely degraded.

You are the check on environmental destruction. Please veto this expansion. There is nothing the dairy can do to sufficiently mitigate its danger to the environment b/c it has no protection against extreme weather events, and those are becoming more common and frequent every day.