

## Kurt Staples

My name is Kurt Staples and my family has farmed here for over 100 years. I live 3 miles from West River Dairy, as does my son and his family. First let me address the 1000 lb gorilla, manure. Riverview has done everything in the past to apply the manure in a safe and responsible manner. If there was a issue, it was taken care of. Manure is not so much a waste product but a commodity, it is beneficial to the fields it is applied to and the farmers using it. Next Issue: Water. This is where I am not in support. I live 3 miles from West River and 3 miles from the next well site. Others in our area have seen issues with their wells in the past. Using more water is not an option. My question to those granting said permit is who is to be held responsible if our wells go dry? Is this in writing? and uphold-able in a court of law. For this reason I am not in support of the expansion.