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My mother owns acreage in synnes township that a watershed runs through. This land has been rotated between crops and crp since my grandfather purchased the property. Our family believes in conservation, sustainable agriculture, and keeping up good relations with adjoining landowners. I believe if river view moves in and starts using excessive amounts of water and creates unsustainable sewage issues it may negativity effect our land, the wildlife that thrives there, and the small farmers that depend on the land for their income. I have seen a drastic habitat loss in the last decade in this area. Wildlife that was once abundant in a large range is now confined to small pockets of habitat. Our farms are one of those small pockets. I would hate to see a large scale dairy operation ruin any more habitat that is already in such short supply.

Thank you for taking the time to hear my thoughts.

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