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Do you ever say no? How many is too many cows? How much does this operation actually pay for their water - all that water for the cows and to grow the feed? This is North America's largest dairy operation - the largest - The Minnesota River Basin is overrun with manure from CAFO's - and you are continuing to permit more facilities. This proposed project expansion is on sensitive ground - there are wetlands just to the south of the proposed site. What we know about wetlands is that they are a complex network of capillaries and underground water pathways that goes significantly beyond what we can see above ground - This proposal needs a comprehensive EAW and the impacts to local well water and the Pomme de Terre River.

What is the threshold for saying no - just because someone wants to built it - doesn't meet that we have the land and water to support it. The impacts on the surrounding area is significant. This operation has become a monopoly in the dairy industry and has put many small family farms out of business. At some point the well being of the greater community and the future of our water, air and soil health should outweigh the economic interests of this company.

Respectfully,

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