

## Jill Holslin

I'm writing to urge MPCA to conduct a rigorous Environmental Impact Study on the proposed expansion of Riverview in Stevens County, Minnesota. I grew up in Chokio and Morris, and my children (now adults) grew up spending their summers on the family farm north of Alberta. The family is still farming there—the fifth generation to work that land. We love the beauty of the local lakes and sloughs, the natural areas that still remain, and the thrill of seeing pheasants and deer along the road. We do and will always consider Stevens County our home. The expansion of Riverview threatens the local watershed, the wildlife and integrity of this fragile ecosystem. It also threatens to push out local small farmers who are struggling enough as it is. Please protect the integrity of Minnesota's rural communities and study this project before it is too late.

Thank you, Jill Holslin