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Hi Jon,

Just a quick note to let you know that I am very concerned about the new regulations being added to the updated CAFO.

- * Pre-application soil testing.
- * Restrict application based on three day weather forecasts.
- * Engineering drawings and 180 day approval of infrastructure changes.
- * Greatly expanded and inflexible buffers.

The additional time required to complete the unrealistic reporting and testing, the added cost associated with the added regulations, and the loss of productive land do to the inability to utilize our nutrients on all available land will have a serious impact on the economic viability of the dairies in our State.

Please continue to allow best management practices to be used on individual farms as determined by NRCS and the Department of Agriculture. They are the hands on agencies familiar with how to best utilize our scarce resource of agriculture land to maximize its productivity, while limiting harm to the environment that could occur from mismanagement of nutrients.

Please do not jeopardize the livelihood of our farms.

Thank you,

Leroy Plagerman