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As landowner and farmers we oppose this bill. Most farms are designated Exclusive Farm Use which already limits developing. The issue is people that work in the Cities are moving to the rural communities to enjoy the small town country feel, however they do not understand what it takes to farm or ranch. Complaining of slow trucks and tractors on roadways, dust from plowing, noise of mid night harvesting and smell of fertilizers. Some Cities even approach farmers to spread the waste water sludge from their sewer water reclaiming plants which has a special odor of its own. Farmers should be able to invest in their own properties to maintain a farm/ranch following accepted and approved farming methods. There are mega farms through out the country that do not pollute and contaminate the land. The premise that these farms strip the rights of small acreage property owners is false,