

Submitter: Leslie Carter

On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Natural Resources

Measure: SB85

To chair Golden and members of the committee

My name is Leslie Carter. My family lives on 160 acres that borders highway 226 and Richardson Gap Rd just ¼ mile from Thomas creek. We raise sheep and laying hens and have been farming over 40 years.

We support SB 85-1 to ensure our future & that of our children.

We are concerned about the air and water quality changes due to the large chicken CAFO's proposed in our community. We are down stream of the Jordan 'Evergreen' site and are worried about a negative effect to the nearby creek, school, and local wells.

We have experienced wildfire smoke over the years and know how difficult it can be to perform our work outside when air quality drops. This operation would affect the quality of our air far more than any one event we have experienced.

Our property is an investment for our retirement and that of our children. It would be a shame to see our property values drop due to the negative conditions created by these large industrial sized chicken operations.

Thank you for your hard work on this issue. We hope you will support our community.