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Foster Farms proposal and petition is not about agriculture. It's about industry and the resources required to sustain it. Particularly, it's about land and water and the immediate and long-range effects of their usage. One can easily foresee the destruction of history and environment and community and, therefore, of the persons who live adjacent or nearby. With its wealth and power, Foster Farms has the capacity to disregard all that and to entice even the wary to go along with them and call it "progress." The Committee on Natural Resources stands between them and those of us who, for good reason, oppose them. Their proposal and petition needs a lot more study and conversation and debate -- and an outcome that will honor the indispensable gifts of our State.

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