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RE: SB956

Letter of Testimony in favor of SB956 dated March 10, 2025

To whom it may concern,

I am a 3<sup>rd</sup> generation septic pumper located in Douglas County and the 3<sup>rd</sup> generation to use Heard Farms to dispose of septic waste. While neither my father nor grandfather are living, I know they would be in support of this grant. It will allow Heard Farms to make important improvements to the facility in Douglas County that would allow for me and my competitors to continue to do business in Douglas County. It is also important because it will allow them to build additional facilities north to help take the pressure off the facility in Douglas County, allowing for quicker dump times, and I would think less downtime at the current facility and provide added services up north. As a business owner in Douglas County, it is very important to me to do as much business locally as possible. These improvements would help me to keep that goal as well as keep a convenient location to dump our waste.

Thank you, Amanda Hayes, President