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Please pass SB 80. We need this bill to help reverse the long-standing and worsening ground water quality in ground water management areas (GWMA), which for decades have had high levels of pollution, as identified by the State.

Confined animal feeding operations (CAFOs) near GWMA areas pollute drinking water. Factory farms emit toxic air pollutants from their manure lagoons, i.e., ammonia, hydrogen sulfide, and particulate matter, all of which can lead to adverse health problems.

Water quality is of utmost importance and is a finite resource we all need. We should be protecting water quality wherever we can and reducing planet-warming emissions and harmful chemicals into the atmosphere. CAFO's are bad for ground water. DEQ should strongly regulate them.

Thank you.

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