

To: Laura Friend, Manager, Board Reviews
Natural Resources Conservation Board
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Date: September 27, 2022

Subject: NRCB Notice of Filed RFRs and Rebuttal Opportunity for
G&S Cattier Ltd. RA21045

From: Hans & Jolanda Appelman
Appleman Farm
[REDACTED]
Westerose, AB T0C 2V0

Legal Land Description: SE 32 46 2 W5

Email: [REDACTED]

Status: Directly Affected Farm Party

We totally agree with the NRCB decision of September 13, G&S Cattle Ltd. RA21045, to deny the construction of a 4000 beef finisher confined feeding operation should stand. **The request should be denied.**

We maintain the approval officer's conclusion that the application would have a negative effect on the community is sound.

We have a cow/calf operation. We are organic grain farmers, land has organic status. We grow our own vegetables, protecting fresh water sources is essential to sustaining tradition farming operations.

To reinforce this, the County of Wetaskiwin has passed a resolution to make the watershed a CFO exclusion zone.,

The County of Wetaskiwin will amend its Municipal Development Plan by December 31, 2023 to prohibit new and expanded Confined Feeding Operations (CFOs) within the Pigeon Lake Watershed and to identify areas within the County, outside of the Pigeon Lake Watershed where CFOs will be given priority.

When making this land use policies, the county speaks in the interest of the community. This resolution also reinforces the County's commitment to protecting good traditional farm land from contamination by CFOs as outlined in the current MDP. This is clearly in the interest the agricultural operations in the community.

We trust that the interests of those of us who are directly affected parties in regard to this application are given due consideration and that G&S Cattle Ltd.'s request for review will be denied.

Sincerely,

Hans & Jolanda Appelman