

December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Attn: Natural Resources Conservation Board

From: Mary Lynn Patterson

Property owned:     NW 27 29 25 W4  
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Re:     Application RA22028  
          Rimrock Cattle Company Ltd.

I am concerned about environmental impacts this increase to 28,000 from 14,000 permitted livestock will cause in the neighborhood.

1. Water – They have had problems with water shortages in the past. I allowed them an easement to pipeline water from Kneehill Creek. They have drilled additional wells. A nearby spring fed dam used as a water source for grazing cattle that is permitted and in existence since 1951 has dried up.
2. Air quality and odor: There is substantial odor in the air at this time. I anticipate this will increase if the animal count is doubled.
3. What provisions are being made for manure disposal and how will this impact ground water in the area.
4. I find it hard to believe that no construction is needed to double the animal count.

I am not in favor in this expansion.

Sincerely,



Mary Lynn Patterson

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Whitefish, MT 59937