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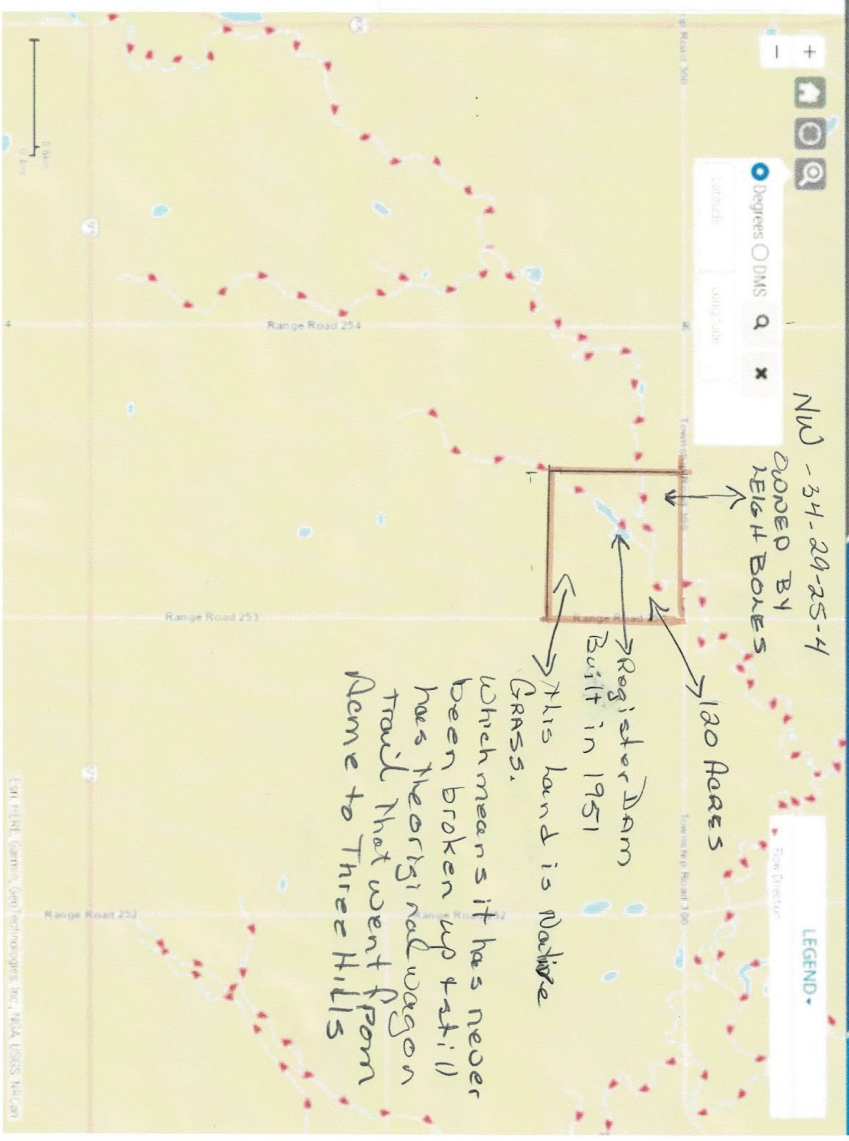
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Please find attached my rebuttal letter and a ground water flow map as a objection to this request for a review of the expansion denial.

WATER QUALITY DATA PORTAL

- ADMINISTRATIVE BOUNDARIES
- SURFACE WATER
- RIVER OR STREAM
- LAKE OR RESERVOIR
- OTHER
- FLOW GAUGING
- WATER FLOW
- Flow Direction
- Network Linear Flow



NW - 34-29-25-4
 DIVIDED BY
 EIGHT BOXES
 180 Acres
 REGISTERED Dam
 Built in 1951
 This land is Native
 Grass.
 Which means it has never
 been broken up till
 has the original wagon
 trail that went from
 Aene to Three Hills

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To: Natural Resources Conservation Board

Attention: Laura Friend

RE: Application RA22028
Rimrock Cattle Company Ltd
Middle of Section 28-29-25-W4M

I have many concerns about this expansion.

- My land location is NW 34-29-25-W4
- My main concern is the possible contamination from the direction of the ground water flow. As you can see in the attached picture. All ground water flow come directly to my land and the Registered Dam that was build back in 1951. What happens when my main source of water for the cattle that graze this land becomes contaminated.
- I am also very concerned that this piece of land that has never been broken up and is totally made up of natural grass (wild grass). What happens when my land is contaminated with grasses, weeds, etc. I would never be able to take it back to its original state as the wild grasses seeds that exist on this property are not available to buy. This land is and has been very sacred to my family for generation because of its natural state.
- How can they be doubling the feed lot from 14,000 head to 28,000 head without any construction.
- Where do they plan to get enough water for this expansion. (I know for a fact that they have had or are having trouble getting enough water for the current 14,000 head)
- What is there plan for the disposal of all the manure that an additional 14,000 head will produce.
- In past dealing with this company I feel that they seem to work on the analogy of:
“Its easier to ask for forgiveness than to ask for permission when they want of need something”
for example:

When with the current 14,000 head they ran in major water shortage problems. They started pumping out of my Registered Water Dam, on my property, WITHOUT my permission.
- My other concern is to do with water as well. They drilled 2 water wells close to my property hat has a Registered Spring Fed Dam since 1951. In all of my life time is have never seen this dam as low as it has been in the last couple of years. In fact we have always had to maintain had to maintain an over flow system as it was always full. Since these wells were drilled the dam has been getting lower and lower, which tells me they must have drilled into the spring that was feeding my Dam, which is the only constant source of water for grazing cattle.

- How will this expansion effect:
 - air quality (know for a fact that the smell is unbearable at times)
 - land values of neighboring land

I am very concerned that this is NOT good for everyone that will be affected by this.

Yours truly,

Leigh Boles