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Hello,

I am writing to express my opposition to the spreading of swine waste from C&H Farms on the fields above Shop Creek in Newton County. At my home I can already smell the odor from the farm operation on some days. I am also concerned with the water quality in the creeks and with the effect on tourism posed by the proposed activity.

The economic plan for the county, approved by the Quorum Court on June 20, 1994, calls for a focus on tourism development and maintaining a pristine environment in furtherance of this goal. This CAFO and these activities are counter to the plan approved by the people of the county.

I used to be the county health officer in Newton County in the 1970's. I remember when we had to condemn the water well in Mt. Judea and had to haul drinking water to residents because a farmer spread chicken waste on a field near the well. The ground in Newton County does not contain and purify the waste like the ground in other areas. Take the waste to some area that does not have Karst topography. Spreading this much waste will create an ecological disaster in Newton County. It is insane to even consider it. One family's economic interest does not trump the economic interest of the rest of the county.

Enough damage has been done by construction of the C&H Farm. Let's not make it worse by spreading it all over the county..

Sincerely,

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