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Dear Illinois Pollution Control Board:

The Jo Daviess County Farm Bureau Board of Directors would like to express our frustrations with the scheduling of the Illinois Pollution Control Board hearings in regards to proposed Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations.

We are disappointed to see that there are not meetings scheduled in our area, with the closest one being held in Dekalb. Many of the counties ranked in the top ten livestock counties in Illinois are in the extreme northwestern part of the state. We would like to see one of those meetings located closer to us than Dekalb. With our county having a concentration of livestock it is a hardship for those producers to travel that distance to go to a meeting. We request that you schedule an additional meeting within Jo Daviess County. These proposed rules have a great effect on the rolling terrain of our county that is perfect for livestock farming.

We would be happy to assist in securing a facility in our area for this meeting. Again, we stress the importance holding an additional meeting in this area with its high concentration of livestock and ask you to take steps to schedule a hearing in or near Jo Daviess County.

Sincerely,



Ronald Lee Lawfer, President
Jo Daviess County Farm Bureau



Jo Daviess County
FARM BUREAU

A Farmers' Organization