

Chair Golden and members of the committee:

Hello, my name is Piper Poverud, age 11, and I live near the school and church, as well as the one of the proposed mega chicken farm sites. I attend Lourdes Public Charter School. Like many of my peers, and teachers, I am astounded that a massive, polluting chicken farm would be placed by a school, where children play, live, and learn. Not only would it disrupt the learning atmosphere it would probably make the school have to shut down, as there's not enough water to sustain the school, and a mega chicken farm. Also, as I mentioned earlier, the chicken farm is very polluting, so it poses a serious health risk to the students, teachers, and residents of the rural community. My grandfather died of lung cancer, and my fellows and I don't want to fall to the same fate. Please help us overcome this disgusting excuse for a farm, and save a community so many people love. I support SB 85.

Piper Poverud