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Dear Mr Oakey,

I am writing to you today on behalf of myself and my community. I am concerned about the impact of the proposed rules regarding pesticide regulations in the State of Idaho. The proposed rules are a threat to public health and the safety of the workers who provide our community with food. Specifically, I am most concerned with the following:

- how our field workers suffer from exposure to these harmful chemicals.
- that our cities and towns stay safe from drifting pesticides
- more people will be able to spray more pesticides with minimal training and supervision with the proposed new Commercial Apprenticeship (CA) pesticide application license
- 95% of Idaho ground water is drinking water and we need to protect water quality! The lack of involvement of important stakeholders like the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (IDEQ) is concerning. We need to prevent the siphoning of pesticides and chemicals into groundwater

Let's protect ourselves by protecting our environment and those who are putting themselves in harms way to bring us our food. Our farm workers are allowing us to live securely. We are judges by how we treat the most vulnerable in our society not by just providing for ourselves at the expense of others.

Please uphold the standards the previous rules enforced and allow for stronger protections for our communities. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely and with great concern
Pettra Pollack