For Agriculture and rural Communities to prosper and survive we have to **diversify** and **add value** to our products. We may also have to **Intensify**.

I am a Cattle producer and do not want to see happen to the Hog industry what happened to the cattle industry. We do not want to chase the slaughter businesses out of this Province because if we do, they will not come back. There would be a major cost to Rural Manitoba and ultimately would injure Urban Communities.

The Hog Industry brings **Jobs**, more tax Dollars, more investors with many new **Businesses**.

In our local Community the Hog industry has done all of these plus it has brought to our community a younger group of people with young families and more kids in the schools and has increased our population and has helped support local urban communities.

As a local politician I am totally confused by this moratorium. We are told that Intensive Livestock Operations do not distinguish between animal species. Then the Gov't selects the Hog industry with difference.

The Hog industry has abided by the Gov't Rules and Regulations.

Through conditional uses this industry has located on qualifying land has stayed away from streams has injected and incorporated the manure properly and has located as well as possible away from residents. This has all been guided by Manitoba Farm Practice Guidelines for both setbacks from streams and residences.
as well as proper manure applications on Manitoba soils

Through direction from the Government we are setting up new Development Plans in our Planning districts to deal with Zoning and requirements Of Intensive livestock
Why the Moratorium

The rules and regulations that are in place are doing a very good job What do we need more for why is the Gov't playing games with their own rules Agriculture Producers operate responsibly as stewarts of the land and water

We hear stories of Human disposal in our river systems What is being done to stop this

The Government of this Province should be dealing with facts and not fears, beliefs or perceptions People can say anything but where are the truthful facts

Perhaps what the Gov't of this Province should be doing is promoting the Hog industry and instead of creating a pause They should be educating the consumer instead of accepting fears, beliefs and perceptions The Gov't should be a leader in educating the Public

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