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EMERGENCY PUBLIC HEALTH DISASTER IN
OUTLOOK, WA.

Dear Governor Inslee and Emergency Managers:

On behalf of the Community Association for Restoration of the Environment, Inc., Friends of Toppenish Creek, and the community most directly impacted, you are requested to take **immediate emergency action** to address an **ongoing and imminent public health emergency** in Outlook, WA.

It has just come to our attention, through a KNDO news report, that a levee belonging to the DeRuyter Brothers Dairy facility broke, causing what appears to be millions of gallons of manure-contaminated water to flood numerous homes in the vicinity of First St. in Outlook, WA. Images from the flooding show (<http://www.nbcrightnow.com/story/34647904/flood-waters-damage-outlook-homes>) several feet of manure-contaminated water flooding residents' homes and property. Manure contaminated water contains dangerous pathogens, such as E. Coli, fecal coliform, cryptosporidium parvum, giardia, salmonella, campylobacter, and other pollutants that are extremely hazardous to human health and the environment.

It is incumbent upon your agencies to take immediate steps to address this imminent public health emergency, including but not limited to: immediate evacuation of all impacted residents, along with covering costs of temporary relocation; provision of security for evacuated homes to prevent vandalism; assessment of the pathogens and other contaminants present in the manure-contaminated water; evaluation of the part(ies) responsible or potentially responsible for this disaster; and all other actions necessary to abate this disaster. We have attached a partial list of contaminants which should be tested for that are in addition to the pathogens listed above.

Please inform us of the steps you will take to immediately protect human health in this emergency. Thank you.

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Media	Analysis	Method	RL	Bottle	Preservation	Hold time
Liquid	Nitrogen, Nitrate as N	EPA 353.2	0.05 mg/L	500 mL Plastic	H ₂ SO ₄	48 hours
	Nitrogen, Ammonia as N	SM 4500 NH ₃ -H	0.05 mg/L			28 days
	Nitrogen, Total Kjeldahl as N	SM 4500 N org	0.5 mg/L			28 days
	Phosphorus, Total	SM 4500 P-E	0.01 mg/L			28 days
	Alkalinity, Total as CaCO ₃	SM 2320 B	1 mg/L	500 mL Plastic	Un-Pres	14 days
	Chloride	SM 4500 CL B	1 mg/L			28 days
	Nitrogen, Nitrite as N	EPA 353.2	0.05 mg/L			48 hours
	Sulfate	EPA 300.0	1 mg/L			28 days
	Total Dissolved Solids	SM 2540 C	10 mg/L	1L Plastic	Un-Pres	7 days
	Total Suspended Solids	SM 2540 D	10 mg/L			7 days
	Calcium, Total	EPA 200.7	1 mg/L	500 mL Plastic	HNO ₃	6 months
	Magnesium, Total	EPA 200.7	1 mg/L			
	Sodium, Total	EPA 200.7	1 mg/L			
	Potassium, Total	EPA 200.7	1 mg/L			