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**RAISE A STINK ABOUT
FIELDS OF FILTH - CAFOs ARE
POLLUTING OUR WATERWAYS!**

It's time to shed some light on the fields of filth created by the largest pork producer in the world, Smithfield Foods and its foreign owner, China-based WH Group.

These corporations are profiting at the expense of our rivers, lakes, and estuaries across North Carolina  and our entire country — and causing local communities to suffer the consequences.

Smithfield Foods uses concentrated animal feeding operations (CAFOs) that aren't equipped to properly handle the waste produced by its swine. The waste  a mixture of feces, urine, blood, antibiotics, and other fluids  is stored in huge, open-air, unlined pits, referred to as “lagoons.”

As we saw most recently with [Hurricane Matthew](#), lagoons are at high risk of flooding during superstorms caused by increased pressures on our climate. The flooding of these lagoons threatens water quality and human health, as floodwaters inundate fields, drown animals in barns, and threaten the structural integrity of waste lagoons.

[We need your help](#) and we need it now! Here's what to do:

1. Make a commitment to purchase meat products from a local farmer, learn about their farm, and ensure that their practices protect the environment and local communities.

2. [Provide a generous gift](#) to the Pure Farms, Pure Waters campaign today so that we can hold Smithfield Foods and other corporate meat producers accountable for their poor waste management practices.

This is a national problem! CAFOs pose a public health nightmare that affects every one of us.

Please make a generous [donation](#) today to support our Pure Farms, Pure Waters campaign. Your gift will help save our communities and waterways, as we demand that these corporations take responsibility for proper waste management.

Thank you for your partnership in this fight for clean and safe water!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Robert F. Kennedy, Jr." with a stylized flourish at the end.

Robert F. Kennedy, Jr.

President

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