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Subject

To Brian Amme

1 I clearly am writing to protest the proposed increased use of herbicides to kill "weeds". The use of herbicides is highly questionable due to harmful effects of these chemicals on the environment. While the companies who make these chemicals stress their safety, veterinarians know that coughs in domestic animals are often related to commonly used lawn "Weed and Feed" products. These are the visible short term effects, the long term effects are not yet clearly visible. I remember when DDT was used as a "safe product" most bird species disappeared from areas where it was used, due to the failure to produce eggs with shells sufficiently hard to allow the survival of the baby birds.

2 Instead of using herbicides to kill weeds, we need to support environmental policies that support biological diversity.

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