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Devils Lake Public Forum: “Family Farms Not Animal Factories”

Citizens & experts to gather October 4th for an informational meeting on the controversial Grand Prairie Agriculture LLP hog operation planned for Ramsey County

DEVILS LAKE, ND—September 28, 2017—Lake Region Concerned Citizens (LRCC), the group formed to oppose the proposed large-scale hog operation in Pelican Township near Devils Lake, will host a public meeting on **Wednesday, October 4th at 5:30pm** at the Spirit Lake Casino auditorium, six miles south of Devils Lake.

The “Family Farms Not Animal Factories” forum will be an informative presentation given by several expert speakers who have had first-hand experience with the negative impact industrial-sized hog operations have on communities -- their health, their lifestyles and their lives. Guest speakers include:

- **Sonja Trom Eayrs** | Lawyer & farmer's daughter
- **Tim Culver** | Environmental lawyer, [Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy](#)
- **Jeff Johnson** | Professor of Philosophy, St. Catherine University
- **Chris Petersen** | Independent pig farmer & Regional representative for the national nonprofit, [Socially Responsible Agricultural Project](#)

All Ramsey County residents interested in the health, safety and security of their families, homes, environment, natural resources, personal finances and local economy encouraged to attend.

“What better way to learn about the devastating consequences that these hog operations have on a community than to hear it directly from those individuals that are living it?”

— Janelle Engstrom, founder of Lake Region Concerned Citizens

EVENT AT-A-GLANCE

WHAT: PUBLIC FORUM: Family Farms not Animal Factories

WHEN: Wednesday, October 4, 2017 | 5:30pm CT

WHERE: Spirit Lake Casino auditorium | 7889 ND-57, St. Michael, ND 58370