



## MEDIA ALERT

# PUBLIC FORUM: A Tyson Mega-Poultry Plant in Sedgwick County. Is That What We Want?

*New local community group hosts national experts for a real-world presentation on the impacts of industrial animal operations & the need to reject the proposed Tyson chicken plant*

**WHAT:** *'Getting Our Chickens in a Row'* – A community meeting by *No Tyson Wichita and Sedgwick County Group* to learn from experienced farmers & issue experts about the health, environmental, air/water quality and economic risks of the planned Tyson industrial-sized chicken operation. Public Q&A to follow.

**WHEN:** Saturday, October 28, 2017 | 9:00-11:30 a.m. CT

**WHERE:** Linwood Park Recreation Center | 1901 S. Kansas Street, Wichita, KS 67211

**WHO:** **Don Stull:** Professor Emeritus, University of Kansas | Researcher | Author | Farmer owner

**Chris Petersen:** Iowa pig farmer | Past president, Iowa Farmers Union | Regional representative, Socially Responsible Agricultural Project

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### Tyson will bring change to Sedgwick County – and it won't be for the better.

This summer, poultry giant Tyson Foods tried to muscle its way into building a massive \$320 million chicken plant in Leavenworth County near the town of Tonganoxie. The documented impacts of concentrated animal feeding operations (CAFOs) are harsh and life-changing for nearby communities. Local residents opposed a future living with the high risks to their public health, water resources, air quality, treasured environment and valued local economy that always come with industrial-sized CAFOs. 'Tongie' flexed its own muscles -- and Tyson was forced to go looking for another target community.

Enabled by the Greater Wichita Partnership, Tyson has now set its sights on Sedgwick County.

What did 'Tongie' know? What does Tyson want you to not know? That's what the *'Getting Our Chickens in a Row'* public forum is all about. All are welcome.

This event is sponsored by [Kansas Rural Center](#), [Sierra Club Kansas Chapter](#), [Peace and Social Justice Center](#), [Women for Kansas](#) and the national nonprofit [Socially Responsible Agricultural Project](#).

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