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pumps over 50 gallons per minute, you're going to have to get a permit. If you're outside of the water management area, that would be considered agriculture, and I don't think you'd have any problem with your priority status, and I don't think it would be an impediment.

SENATOR RAIKES: Okay, so, Senator, my question is, given that you're in a ground water management area, if you struck the language that you propose, would that change the status quo at all as to permit requirements for establishing a livestock operation?

SENATOR SCHROCK: It shouldn't change anything from the present statutes.

SENATOR RAIKES: Okay, thank you.

SENATOR ENGEL: If there is no further discussion, Senator Schrock, you're...I'm sorry. The Chair recognizes Senator Hartnett.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Mr. President, members of the body, Senator Schrock, could I ask you a question? You said it only...this bill only deals with ground water management areas?

SENATOR SCHROCK: Right.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Because I've had from...some of the development in my county has had some problems with ground water, you know, where they've had wells and it's been limited. But that isn't controlled by this. We didn't have time to introduce a bill to kind of look at the problem with the ground water, but this just refers...where are these at in the state, the ground...these...

SENATOR SCHROCK: The ground water management areas we have in the state are the Republican Basin and two of the three NRDs in the Panhandle.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Okay, thank you.