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Comments: My name is Helen Steele. I have lived in Wonalancet NH most of my life as a chemist,

teacher, parent and farmer. My expertise is currently soil science.

ThereKnowledge of the world of living things has changed greatly. As a farmer chemist I am very concerned about the least featured ecosystem: the soil. Soil filters our water, grows our food, helps prevent floods and contains at least 9 billion microorganisms per cubic inch. Plants and fungi living in the soil anchor this foundation of our home. Soil generates naturally at 1 inch per 100 years.

Disturbing the soil should not happen without the most complete remediation possible. This does not damn us for the past century; in this century of the effects of climate change, soil must be considered highly and thoroughly.