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- 15 million birds could produce as much as **4.8 million pounds of manure PER DAY** (*USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service*).
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- This waste will be stored and spread near waters--like the Eleven Point River--which are either already impaired or home to an endangered species.
- Odor from concentrated animal feeding operations (CAFOs) contains a mixture of **ammonia, hydrogen sulfide, and particulate matter** that can cause **depression, respiratory issues**, and various other disorders. (*Understanding Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations*)
- Residents living near these operations can expect a much **higher fly population**, as well as a **decrease in property value**, in some cases as much as **50 - 90%** (*Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations and Proximate Property Values*).

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