

June 24, 2014

To: Mr. Doug Szenher
Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality
Public Outreach and Assistance Division
5301 Northshore Drive
North Little Rock, AR 72118

Re: Ban on future confined swine operations in Buffalo River National Park

Dear Mr. Szenher,

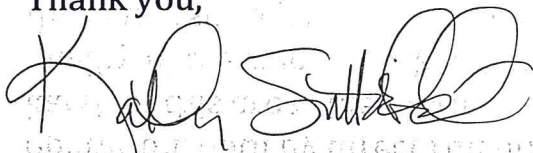
I am writing in support of a ban on confined swine operations, medium and large, in the Buffalo National River watershed.

By allowing the current confined swine operation to be built, we have put our beautiful river at great risk for being polluted from this operation, both by direct run off and by the very nature of the limestone karst of this area. Clean water is an invaluable resource. Not only is the quality of the river at risk but many private wells and springs that are the water supply for the people of this area.

I am not against farming. I grew up in a farm family. But I do know that most people in Arkansas who engage in farming recognize the need to protect our valuable assets.

Along with many others in this great state, I ask that you too support a ban on confined swine operations in the area of the Buffalo National River watershed.

Thank you,



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