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Subject: Continuing Planning Process & Antidegradation Implementation Methodology

Importance: Normal

Dear Jacob Harper,

I want DEQ to increase protection of the streams and lakes my fellow Arkansans and I use for drinking water, wildlife watching, fishing, swimming, and boating.

Please be sure that the CPP and AIP:

-Protect high quality streams and lakes in our state and national parks, wildlife refuges, and wilderness areas from new pollution. An example is the water passing through Rammel Dam from Lake Catherine downstream to the Ouachita River. Currently, since no drinking water comes from the lake, the levels of pollutants can be higher. However, drinking water IS taken from the river (viz. lake water) by municipalities downstream. This makes no practical or scientific sense.

-Properly establish protected baseline water quality through testing and data analysis. More testing of heavy metal contamination is needed. Perhaps the AGFC Stream Teams or local high school STEM students could become involved with support from DEQ for supplies and testing.

-Account for non-point sources of pollution when making point source permitting decisions. Also, point sources feeding into bodies of water should be ferreted-out and monitored and managed.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
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