

## NOTICE OF TEMPORARY ENVIRONMENTAL INTERIM AUTHORITY

National Park Service, Buffalo National River-Buffalo Point Upper Sewer Plant (U2-A)  
Permits Number AR0034959 – AFIN 45-00017

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. Section 8-4-230(a)(1)(B), that the Director of the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ), 5301 Northshore Drive, North Little Rock, AR 72118-5317, phone number (501) 682-0618, has granted an Interim Authority to National Park Service, Buffalo National River-Buffalo Point Upper Sewer Plant (U2-A), 2229 Hwy 268 East in Yellville, Marion County, Arkansas. The facility is hereby authorized to use the wastewater treatment tank installed at U2-A for the storage of wastewater until the effective date of the final permitting decision on the National Park Service's application to modify its NPDES permit for U2-A. The facility is authorized to preform architectural critical system work to preserve and protect partially constructed facility buildings from rain events. All storage of wastewater activities authorized by this interim authority shall strictly adhere to the operating plan proposed by the National Park Service, and the National Park Service shall manage the storage tank to maintain a freeboard of 50% of the available storage as emergency storage and institute Best Management Practices and operational methods to manage the wastewater efficiently and procedures for response and clean-up of wastewater spills.

Pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 8-4-230 and Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission Regulation 8.216, any member of the public may object to the Director's decision within ten (10) business days of the date of this notice. Objections will be accepted if submitted no later than 4:30 pm on the last day of the comment period. Written objections should be sent to: Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality, ATTN: Office of Water Quality, 5301 Northshore Drive, North Little Rock, AR 72118-5317 or by fax at 501-682-0910, or by e-mail at: [Water-Draft-Permit-Comment@adeq.state.ar.us](mailto:Water-Draft-Permit-Comment@adeq.state.ar.us).

After consideration of any timely written objections, the Director may revoke or modify the conditions of this interim authority within thirty (30) calendar days of the date of this decision for compelling reasons or good cause shown. The Director's revocation or modification of her prior decision becomes a final decision for purposes of appeal. Upon issuance of the final decision, notice of the final decision will be sent to the facility and those persons who submitted timely objections. If the Director's initial decision is not revoked or modified within thirty (30) calendar days of the date of the decision, the decision is deemed final for purposes of appeal.

Documents concerning this matter are available for viewing/copying at ADEQ's offices, 5301 Northshore Drive, North Little Rock, AR 72118 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Dated this 5th day of April, 2018

Becky W. Keogh, Director  
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