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ADEQ, I understand that your stated purpose is to protect Arkansas's most precious natural resources. Please stand up for doing this in this situation before it is too late.

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