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I am concerned for the water quality in Newton County if ADEQ approves this permit to transfer swine waste across our county. The National Park Service has already requested that Big Creek be added to the list of impaired streams based on data from the USGS. As the main fork of Big Creek already shows evidence of impairment by e-coli as noted by the Big Creek Research and Extension Team, I am concerned about further contamination if this permit is allowed as some of the largest spreading fields are directly adjacent to the Left Fork of Big Creek.

ADEQ has indicated that they will address the pollution of Big Creek. It seems to me that one of the best ways to address these problems would be to prevent further contamination by denying this permit. This permit also asks to allow other fields to be spread with the swine wasted that are watersheds for other creeks in Newton County such as Hurricane Creek, Shop Creek and eventually the Little Buffalo River.

Several of the fields border of drain into USFS property where there are more caves and bat roosts that could be negatively affected.

Newton County is rural with steep winding gravel roads. There is potential for the tanker trucks that will negotiate these roads to have accidents or spills. This would possibly negatively affect even more creeks and areas and neighbors in our county.

If this permit is allowed, who will monitor the effects of the swine waste in this extended area?

Please deny this permit that could increase the pollution of the streams and waterways in Newton County. Please follow your mission to protect.

Thank you,

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