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Comments re: modifications to permit  
requested by Ellis Campbell to go to land  
application only

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River watershed.

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I am against this modification  
for several reasons: this is all karst  
in this area where the fields are located. The waste  
will runoff into these creeks and down into fissures and  
cracks in the karst topography and pollute wells,  
caves, creeks and rivers.

I'm asking that, if the permit is modified, that  
ADEQ does baseline surveying of the creeks and  
fields and then subsequent monitoring be done  
after waste application. We all need to know  
the effect of this modification; ADEQ needs to  
protect our water and lands.

I'm also against this because of the  
air pollution, the stink, that will come with  
this application. I have many friends and  
neighbors in these areas who have homes  
and rental cabins. They will definitely be  
negatively affected by the spraying.  
And if / when the waste runoff or down, it will  
pollute their wells and water ways.  
There are many people living back in there.  
They will be affected.

The public health risks are huge here, if this waste application is granted. The stink, the germs, the raw sewage entering the water, all will affect people's health. This is not fair to the people of this county.

This country, the upper Buffalo River watershed, Newton County, is one of the most beautiful, pristine areas of Arkansas and of the United States. Visitors come from all over Arkansas and the U.S. to canoe, hike, camp, swim, fish and enjoy the clear creeks and tributaries of the Buffalo National River. It is key to the economy of the area - nature tourism. Remember the state slogan, Arkansas - the Natural State? The continued permitting of these polluting activities is having an adverse effect on the reputation and economy of the area. And it will do long-lasting damage to the environment and the economy.

Please, please do your jobs as protectors of the quality of our, all our environments. Please do not grant this extended spraying and please take another look at the source of this waste, where its coming from. Please solve this environmental problem that you have created, through your faulty permitting.

Thank you.

P.S. We're not going anywhere.