

EC Farms permit modification request:

With C&H already having overly fertile fields, with lush algal growth appearing in Big Creek, and the likelihood of pollutants seeping through karst rock into caves and eventually into the Buffalo River itself, why would anyone support approval of dumping more manure into the watershed?

How can one hog CAFO, employing a handful of workers, be allowed, or even think of spreading their waste further in the watershed, chancing jobs of many in tourist, restaurant, and other businesses benefitted by the Buffalo River, and risking the dollars the Buffalo River brings to our communities?

At ADEQ's meeting with the joint house session to inform them about impaired streams, the Farm Bureau President spoke in glowing terms of his parent's farm that he grew up on. I doubt it was like living next to 6500 hogs and open sewage lagoons. A CAFO is not a farm!

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