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The Buffalo National River is the heart of this area and it must be protected.

Please deny the Regulation 5 permit for the C&H swine factory in the Buffalo River watershed. This industrial operation has no business in the geologically sensitive karst environment of our own national river. The Buffalo National River is a treasure that can not be measured.

- 1) It is a tourist attraction that provides healthy, positive enjoyment for American citizens;
- 2) It provides jobs in the tourism industry that have been a sustainable source of income for far more individuals and far longer than the hog farm;
- 3) It is part of a delicate ecosystem that nourishes all living things.

**Any failures or long term degradation risks a \$62M tourism industry in one of the poorest areas of our state.**

**Deny it because it makes economic sense.**

**Deny it out of respect for the Arkansans who came before you who fought to protect it.**