

From: [Phyllis Head](#)
To: [Water Draft Permit Comment](#)
Subject: Deny Reg. 5 permit
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To the ADEQ,

I am writing to you as a concerned mother, grandmother, and citizen of this great state. I have lived here with my family since 1982. At this time I urge you to deny permit 5264w to C and H hog farms.

My husband and I have lived, worked and raised our six children here. We have tried to be good parents, good citizens and good stewards of the environment. We love Arkansas! The Natural State.

When we came to Arkansas in 1982 and settled here, it was known as the "Land of Opportunity". We were able to prosper in owning our own businesses, working various jobs, and contributing in any way possible to our community in Fayetteville.

We soon discovered the MOST precious jewel of the Ozarks, our nation's first national river, the Buffalo. It was saved in 1972 through the bi-partisan efforts of many forward thinking people, who fought to preserve and protect the river.

The ADEQ is entrusted to PROTECT the environment in Arkansas. YOU are not doing your job. You are allowing waste from a large factory farm to be applied in the sensitive watershed of our most glorious river.

This is an opportunity to correct the MISTAKE you made by granting the original permit to C and H farms, in the first place. Yes, admit that it was a mistake. Don't continue to give in to the strong lobbying efforts of the farm bureau and the pork producers. Don't deny the scientific evidence that shows how these contaminants move through the karst geology of the region and eventually, right into the pristine waters of the Buffalo River. The karst is very porous rock which allows water to easily run through it. This has created the majestic bluffs and caves, that the Buffalo is noted for. Truly, a wonder of the world!

I sincerely question whether the ADEQ is doing it's job of preserving and protecting the environment. ADEQ previously granted a permit to C and H and E and C farms to actually transport excess waste from the farm in Mt Judea to fields above Deer, Ar. They are granted permission to apply this waste to these fields. This farm is also located in the watershed.

I have serious issues concerning this because I am a landowner on the Little Buffalo River. I have a well on my property and I fear that in due time, we will begin to see contamination of my drinking water, along with polluting the Big and Little Buffalo Rivers. This is very SACRED land for me and my family.

We have come a long way from the Land of Opportunity to the Natural State. Let us do the RIGHT thing and protect our beloved river. DENY this permit to C and H farms.

The Buffalo River is the most magnificent jewel of our entire state and WATER is our most precious resource.

DO YOUR JOB! DO THE RIGHT THING! DENY THIS PERMIT!!!!

Thank you,

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