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Dear ADEQ,  
The C&H Farm request for Regulation 5 permit for liquid manure should be granted.

The testing that the University of Arkansas continues to do indicates there are no environmental impacts on the Buffalo River or the surrounding meadows and dry streams that flow in the area. The Test results even from your own outside third party independent group, that conducted a test hole by drilling into an area the environmental community though was a leaking lagoon, also has concluded there are no leaking lagoons. The concerns of the karst ground is not an issue due to the fact that organic fertilizers that are utilized from the hog operation are not spread down a hole in the ground but on top of the ground according to the farms Nutrient Management requirements from the state and federal agencies. Once this organic fertilizer is applied then the grasses will take up the organic nutrients to grown pasture that not only is good for the cows but for the wild deer, elk, and feral hogs that directly pollute the Buffalo River when they are in the river since wild animals don't respect fences or rivers.

Even though the environmental community doesn't like this Swine operation the families of Hensons and Campbells strive not to destroy the environment since they work and live in the same place as this operation. I believe the 1.5 million people in the river have a bigger environmental impact than a hog farm that is 6 plus miles away from the Buffalo River. Issues of human's fecal and urine in the river for that many people are a potential night mare that the environmental community wants to deny. The bathroom facilities on the river are in adequate and are archaic least to say. The same land application methods that the environmental community and the National Park Supporters complain about that is used by this swine operation has been used for over 25 years on one of the parks sewer facilities on the same piece of land for those 25 years.. I would love to see what that phosphorous level for the parks land is and how much has made it to the river since the facility is actually on the river.

I am in support of this permit and see no legal reasons it should be denied.

Sincerely,

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