From: <u>Steve Singleton</u>

To: Water Draft Permit Comment
Subject: [BULK] Please deny C&H permit
Date: Tuesday, April 04, 2017 4:55:36 PM

As someone whose grandfather, uncle and cousins are hog farmers, I am not unsympathetic to people trying to make a living in agriculture.

However, the C&H farm is NOT, in my definition, a family farm. The owners do not live on the farm property or adjacent to it. C&H is a business whose absentee owners do not have to live with the reality of the urine and fecal material their business generates. Their neighbors do, as do the public who come from surrounding areas and out-of-state to enjoy the beauty of the Buffalo National River.

The original permit granted by the ADEQ is suspect, ignoring as it did any input from the National Park Service or US Geologic Survey. And now the C&H owners are asking for expansion of the area onto which they propose spreading waste. The fact they need to expand the application area is certainly evidence that the original proposal was poorly considered.

Runoff or percolation damage may not occur today or tomorrow, but at some point, pond liners will fail, unexpected rainfall will wash litter off the fields into Big Creek and into the porous subsurface karst, and the our Buffalo will be degraded.

It doesn't have to happen on your watch.

Sincerely,

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