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I am frustrated, angry and appalled that the CAFO on Big Creek was ever allowed. The failure of our Arkansas state government to follow regulations that are already in place compound these feelings. We know how karst topography works, we know that nitrate levels in the creek are already higher above the CAFO than those below it, and there is no intelligent, educated argument that excuses that our state government has failed to prevent what will become an environmental mess. We can't use the argument that we should "wait and see" - because then it is too late. The poisoning of Big Creek, which will in turn poison our beautiful Buffalo National River, is not an "if" proposition, it is a "when". To add insult, the spreading of the hog sludge on nearby land exponentially compounds the problem.

The location for the CAFO is inappropriate and the application for permit Permit # 5264-W should be denied. The CAFO should not be allowed in this location or in any location within the watershed of the BNR.

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