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My family and I became residents of The Natural State in 1998 when we moved from St. Paul, Minnesota to Little Rock. Having lived in a northern climate that has its own claim to natural beauty (albeit ice covered lakes, cold weather and snow), we were fascinated by the mountainous beauty, miles and miles of woodlands, and stunning streams and lakes in Arkansas.

My introduction to the natural state occurred shortly after our arrival when I was asked to be a chaperone for a youth camp-out on the Buffalo River. We swam, canoed, and generally experienced a GREAT weekend with never a thought that this river may one day be at risk of being polluted.

It is difficult to accept that a hog farm would ever receive a permit to locate within the watershed of any creek, stream, river, or lake. But it happened when C&H Hog Farm was allowed to locate near the Buffalo River.

We are told that there is no evidence that suggests contamination of the river or the eventual threat of contamination. I just don't know how that kind of claim can be made. That which is foreign to soil and air will eventually accumulate to have a negative effect. And the accumulation will happen if we are not loving stewards of natural resources. That's the nature of anything that has its origin in uncaring human activity. Precautions that provide present assurances will one day fail. It is inevitable.

What ever will bring about the discontinuation of C&H Hog Farm must be pursued. Our Governor must not contribute to the loss of the Buffalo as a premier river.