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To whom it may concern:

I have learned of the intention to allow a permit for Hog Farming that will threaten the water shed of the Buffalo River. From what I have read this permit allows a very high risk operation to act with very little regulation or monitoring. This farm will flood the Wild and Scenic Buffalo River with organophosphorus compounds that will devastate the eco-system of the river and destroy a crown jewel in the Wild and Scenic River system.

I am a native Arkansan, living in South Carolina. I grew up paddling the Buffalo, and from those wonderful times I have developed a love and deep respect for the beauty and value of nature. The Buffalo is as fine an example of this as can be found anywhere in our country. I am quite active in the whitewater community, and it is very common for me to talk with world class paddlers who run the hardest and wildest rivers of the world. It never fails that when the Buffalo comes up in the conversation that they gush over how fantastic the river is and that they can't wait to go back. They won't, ever, if the Hog Farms destroy. The people of Arkansas will have lost a true national treasure and with this loss will come the loss of untold tourism dollars.

Please do not do this horrible thing!

Sincerely,

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