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To: <u>Water Draft Permit Comments</u>
Subject: Buffalo River Watershed

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I am writing to oppose the renewal of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System General Permit (ARG590000) than was published on March 15, 2016, in the Arkansas Democrat Gazette for eligible operators of Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations in the e State of Arkansas. This General Permit ARG590000 streamlined the permitting for one singe CAFO, one that is located in a fragile ecosystem in a highly fractured soluble limestone rock karst that drains via surface and groundwater directly into the Buffalo National River.

General Permit ARG590000 has caused an unprecedented controversy and drawn continued scrutiny of the NPDES permitting process with the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality. Insofar as this regulation bypasses well-established science, it is highly likely its shortcomings will further degrade our environment if the general permit is renewed.

I urge you NOT to renew this permit.

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