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To: [Water Draft Permit Comments](#)
Subject: Fwd: C & H CAFO Modifications
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I guess you might still be posting comments but since I didn't see my comment I wanted to be sure you did get it.

Here is the forward from the original email I sent.

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From: **Carol Bitting** <lcbitting@gmail.com>

Date: Fri, Aug 7, 2015 at 5:55 AM

Subject: C & H CAFO Modifications

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After 2 years smelling obnoxious odors from the factory farm in Mt Judea I am sure it will be a relief to at least have it reduced. Unfortunately the CAFO owners did not want public comments before acquiring a federally funded loan to purchase the land and construct a large confined animal feeding operation in the Buffalo National River Watershed. Now every few months they have to make a modification to the flawed engineering of the "state of the art" facility. This "state of the art" facility shows how flawed its design was from the beginning and continually requiring permit modifications shows the continual problems existing with the hurried "rubber stampers" application review. Perhaps it is time to reopen the whole permit for comment rather than continue to modify the flawed existing one.

The C & H Hog Farms purchased only 23 acres. This factory facility is built on the only level area of the 23 acres, (see Google Earth) the access to the facility is steep tree lined hillside. They are limited to expansion except by seriously altering the terrain. Because of the size of the barns and the size of the lagoons, there is very little other areas to construct.

The placement of pond liners in an already saturated lagoon has its risk not only during the removal but due to pond leakage it will be nearly impossible to follow the leaks until they are completely unsaturated and then fill them in. (see Dr Sharpely's report on the well). These risk have not been addressed by the NOI and no public meeting was scheduled to address these issues. Tetra Tech research shows that removing the waste from existing lagoons and installing a lining is not the best approach to lined lagoons. If Cargill is funding this project then why isn't it funding the best approach?

There is very little information about the installation of a flare. I am

concerned with the air pollution this factory farm has been producing and its effects on the population. I see no permit for a flare. Without knowing the contents of the gases is it safe to knowingly alter the emissions?

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