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To: Water Draft Permit Comments

**Subject:** C&H Hog Farm General Permit ARG590000-Nash Comments

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## Dear Water Permit Division,

My husband and I are frequent users of the Buffalo River for camping, kayaking, canoeing, fishing and for hiking the Ozark Highlands Trail. We are passionate about keeping it free of degradation from pollution. I wrote letters and attended hearings in the "Battle for the Buffalo" many years ago, and here we are again, battling our own Department of Environmental Quality which should have done this for us all in Arkansas.

We are scientists: the dye studies done in karst topography in the Ozark Mountain area, before this hog farm and since then by Dr. Brahanna and associates, reveal that you can't just put a toxic substance on a field and have it stay there. The C and H Nutrient Management Plan may meet guidelines, but because it doesn't work in karst formations, it is flawed from the outset. It's like pouring porridge down a sieve: it will come out downstream and pollute underground water along the way. Whoever allowed this permit to go in should have studied karst formations better before they allowed the C&H Hog Farm to have this permit, so the Environmental Assessment was wrong.

We do not want ADEQ's allowing permit modifications unless they tighten up the rules on application of pig sewage on fields. C&H should not be allowed to continue cutting corners with its NMP as permitted. Please make them stop it. We are speaking for ourselves and our extended family who live in Fayetteville, Marianna, Little Rock, and Dallas.

We would be happy to take any PC and E member who wants to go on a canoe trip down our National River and let you see the beautiful water quality in the river now.

Thank you,

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