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AR is a special place. That's why I moved here, and brought my pension to this area. OK, I'm only one person, and I don't have lobbyists, or a giant corporation working on my behalf. I moved here from Southern Cook County in IL. For those of you who don't know, that area [Chicago] has been industrialized for at least one hundred years. The air is not clean. Nor is the water or the soil. When I moved here I did not know about karst. I am used to IL and WI soils. Those soils are much more forgiving of human activity, and error. I was shocked to learn that our karst does not filter anything. So, whatever I pour on the ground will arrive at a lower water area practically unchanged. It seems simple to me. Don't place anything on the ground that you don't want in your water.

The fact that ADEQ has allowed a CAFO next to the Buffalo National River is amazing. The fact that my legislative representatives and my governor and other state officials have allowed, and even abetted this is equally amazing. Corporate enterprises like this always go wrong. When the choice is health and safety over money, money always wins. Like other corporate victim sites all over the country, I suppose Cargill and our state officials will pretend surprise when this goes wrong. Well, Cargill and AR officials, you have a second chance to make the right choice. Choose clean water, and a healthy population who can enjoy the majesty of one of our nations best spots.

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