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Subject: Mt. Judea Hog Factory

I wish everyone would quit referring to the Mt. Judea hog operation as a farm. It is a hog factory. I grew up on a farm and my job as a kid was to slop the hogs. In hindsight it was the nastiest job along with shoveling out the cow manure from the dairy operation. We put the hog pen about 1 mile from the house for obvious reasons. I live in Newton County and have two business operations. One is real estate and the other is nightly cabin rentals. I no longer take listings in the Mt. Judea area. Most folks have heard about the pig factory and do not want to live near it. The view from Sam's Throne used to look out over a peaceful pastoral valley but now dominating this beautiful valley is a big ugly structure known as the Mt. Judea Hog Factory. Nice job ADEQ. I live up river to the hog factory so I tell my guests to stay out of the Mt Judea area to avoid contact with the smells and other pollution caused by the hog factory. Property values around and near the hog factory are surely going to be affected in a negative manner. Just the mere perception of the offensive nature of a hog factory in the county has already generated big losses for the tourism business.

In conclusion, I strongly urge that a permanent moratorium be placed on issuing any future hog operations within the Buffalo watershed and revoke the permit for the one that is already here. I am going on a volunteer Buffalo River cleanup this week. Hope to see everyone out there, including the hog factory owners. For a change, please do the right thing and help protect the Buffalo National River.

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