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Mr. Szenher:

I oppose changes to Regulation 5 & 6.

Changes to this regulation infringe upon my rights as a property owner and sets a poor precedence to someday restrict property freedoms in other parts of the state.

There could be many unintended consequences of restricting swine farms in this large watershed most of which concern me greatly are someday restricting cattle, poultry, or industry in other watershed areas in our state. Organizations like Ozark Society, Waterkeeper alliance, Buffalo River Rescue seem to run off emotion and few facts. There has been no proof of pollution to the river from hog farms and tax payers spent much money in the late 1990's proving there was no environmental impact from swine farms located in Buffalo watershed.

If this regulation is passed it should be demanded to look deeper into other potential pollutants to Buffalo River such as municipalities, commercial fertilizer use, septic systems, and extreme numbers of tourist and the impact to the environment to name just a few.

The citizens of counties represented in the watershed area should determine if this regulation is changed in a vote. Not ill willed people from other cities and communities far outside the river area.

Regulations are necessary but excessive regulations stifle the economy and cause unneeded burden.

Hog farms are the only agriculture professions today regulated on applying fertilizer in buffalo river area. Why regulate them more?

I do not support changes to Regulation 5 or 6.

Sincerely,

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