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Your connection to Arkansas waters	I fish in multiple reservoirs and rivers in Arkansas and Southern Missouri. I have not experienced nuisance algae yet, but I have not been on any water bodies in Northwest Arkansas in some time. My primary drinking water source in Lake Brewer, located in Conway County, Arkansas, part of HUC 11110205 or Cadron Creek Watershed. As a resident of Conway, I experience foul water throughout most of the year. I grew up drinking groundwater in Mountain Home, unless I was in town, where I would drink treated water from Norfork Lake. Brewer Lake is a 1,200 acre reservoir that serves as the drinking water source for over 60,000 people. There are water quality problems that exist in this watershed, and it is located in a rural area. This area is mainly pasture with a patchwork of forested areas. Agriculture is a dominant contributor to the water quality issues in the area. Poorly managed dirt roads have their affects, as well.
Are you a private landowner that could qualify for non-point source nutrient reduction credits?	I work for a conservation district that can help landowners with all of these issues through outreach and education, and implementation of management plans.
Do you trust in ADEQ's ability to critically review applications for credit-generating projects to determine if proposed offsets will result in significant adverse effects to water quality?	I am sure ADEQ has the staff that is knowledgeable enough to make the right decisions. I worry about the required number of people needed to review applications. I also worry if staffing is an issue, that apathy will ultimately take over because the personnel will feel overwhelmed. Other state agencies may be able to help with the applicant load, but checks and balances, and proper training will be required to ensure existing problems are addressed.
Do you believe adequate consideration should be given to the impact on ADEQ and ANRC resources and staff, and how these costs will be covered, BEFORE approving a nutrient trading regulation?	As I stated above, adequate consideration is a must. Monies will have to be made available to hire technicians to conduct investigative research and to ensure landowners are using their resources properly.
Without objective	

criteria, do you believe ADEQ or ANRC will develop sufficient monitoring protocols to determine whether projects are resulting in an "unacceptable localized adverse effect on water quality?"

No

Comments on Regulation 37

I OPPOSE Regulation 37 as written.