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Dear Sir,

I do not farm in the Buffalo River watershed, but I am still interested in the right to farm issue. I am concerned that the PC&E Commission is considering a permanent moratorium on hog farms in this area. To take such a drastic measure, without the science to back up the decision, sets an extreme precedent.

Agriculture is under attack across the nation, from those who don't understand its mission or benefits. People who know little about modern farming are working to regulate and legislate the family farm out of business. We need every farm we have in Arkansas, in fact we need more family farms.

Farming is the largest business in the state. They provide the food and fiber that is necessary for the people of Arkansas and the nation.. Please don't take an action that ultimately would impact all farm in the great state of Arkansas.

Sincerely,
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Garland County Farm Bureau Vice-President

