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To ADEQ—

Please add my comment to those in favor of a permanent moratorium on the building of medium and large confined animal feeding operations in the Buffalo River Watershed.

Because it is abundantly evident that the karst geology of this area of Arkansas is unsuitable for the spreading of large quantities of waste, it should also be abundantly evident why. This soil and underlying geologic structure will not hold in place nor process organically the volumes of waste generated by such facilities, and that waste will be channeled into the watershed's system of streams and rivers. Also, the buildup of phosphorus in soils without accounting for the pathways the groundwater takes to streams and rivers fails to truly address phosphorus in the overall condition of our state's water.

It should be evident after the many years and huge expense to both the state and its private citizens on both sides of this pollution issue that some things do not work even if we want to believe they should or will. Siting CAFOs in karst underlaid land is a mistake. Please pass a permanent moratorium so this serious mistake will never happen again and so that the Buffalo River can begin to heal itself, which may take years, from this wasteful assault upon it.

Thank you,
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