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I support the changes proposed by ADEQ to Rule 5 and Rule 6 that would institute a permanent moratorium on issuance of permits for medium and large swine CAFOs in the Buffalo National River watershed.

There is no possibility that it will someday be safe to have CAFCOs in the watershed of any river or lake. But as far as the Buffalo is concerned these things make it impossible for it ever to be a good thing.

- The karst geology in the Buffalo river area makes it unsuitable for concentrated animal feeding operations due to the many caves, springs and underground streams.
- Soils in the Buffalo watershed are thin and are thus unable to contain the large amounts of animal waste that are produced by CAFOs.
- Permitting C&H was an admitted mistake. Only a ban on this type of facility can ensure that the mistake is not repeated in the future.

Thank you for reading and considering my imput!

Sincerely, Karen Bartle Mount Judea, AR