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On behalf of Friends of the North Fork and White Rivers I want to express our support for the proposed changes to Regulations 5 and 6 regarding a permanent moratorium on medium and large hog CAFOs in the Buffalo River Watershed.

Our members along with many other groups and individuals have expressed our dismay that a CAFO was permitted in the BRW. We have fought hard to secure a closure of the CAFO and sincerely hope a permanent ban on such CAFOs will help protect the watershed from future degradation.

We greatly appreciate the efforts of the Governor and his administration who worked hard to achieve this outcome and ask APC&E to follow through and approve this permanent moratorium.

Sincerely Steve Blumreich President Friends of the North Fork and White Rivers

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