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To: [CPP-antideg-comments](#)

Subject: Continuing Planning Process & Antidegradation Implementation Methodology

Importance: Normal

Dear Jacob Harper,

Two weeks ago, I and a friend paddled 60 miles on the Buffalo River to the White River. Both of us are water professionals, and were very concerned about the amount of algae present in the Buffalo River (particularly the presence of blue-green algae in the Buffalo River Wilderness Area, which is toxic to humans). This condition did not occur 20 years ago, and is indicative of a downward trend in water quality in the flagship stream of Arkansas and the Nation.

I urge DEQ to protect the streams and lakes my fellow Arkansans and I use for drinking water, wildlife watching, fishing, swimming, and boating. Please be sure that the CPP and AIM:

- Protect high quality streams in our state and national parks, wildlife refuges, and wilderness areas from new pollution.
- Properly establish protected baseline water quality through testing and data analysis.
- Account for non-point sources of pollution when making point source permitting decisions.

Further, I support the the comments submitted by Ozark Water Watch, Arkansas Public Policy Panel, and their partners.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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