Director Keogh,

I'd like to add my voice to the comments coming from the Buffalo River Watershed Alliance. Their comments are below. Here are mine. I'm a lifelong Arkansan who's visited the Buffalo River dating back to 1975. I'm a small business owner so I know we need a balance between protected places and free enterprise. But I also value special places, like the Buffalo.

In the Ken Burns PBS National Parks special Terry Tempest Williams describes "our family's national park". For my family, that's the Buffalo National River. I've been there with my parents and my children and the majority of my closest friends and I don't want that experience degraded for future generations that will visit.

If you're not familiar with the Ken Burns segment I mentioned you can view it here: https://youtu.be/tUn4IuOHrRU

It's 1:54 seconds that's well worth it.

Thank you for your time and consideration of my email. Regards, Mark Harper

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