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Dear ADEQ,

Greetings, thank you in advance for allowing comments on one of our most precious resources. Big business and environmental impact are almost always counter to each other. Several years ago in our great state, we began experiencing numerous earthquakes in an area with little history of previous activity. After much research, testing, pondering and posturing, the cause became perfectly clear... Today, earthquake activity has returned to its normal infrequent level.

With this as our guide, maybe the same process can be applied here. Much has been written over the years about the Buffalo River and its unique and complex geographical features. More research, studies and tests seem to only deepen the lines drawn in the sand as each side tries to support its objectives. Delay becomes the norm and the situation worsens. A classification 4 impairment indicates a serious problem already exists, but allows the situation to continue !

Much like the earthquakes, the cause seems perfectly clear. I, therefore, request that the ADEQ reclassify the Big Creek/ Lower Buffalo River impairment to a 303d classification 5 as soon as possible. In doing so, we may save both the Buffalo and the White rivers before it's too late !!! Thank You !  
Sincerely, Ken Duncan

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