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The public is asked to comment on Arkansas impaired water bodies before Sept. 10 and here are my comments.

Not enough is being done to stop toxins and pollution from running into AR tributaries. AR govt and governing boards are looking the other way, changing language in regs to allow for more contamination instead of fining offenders or stopping the polluters.

There are people sitting on these governing boards with conflicts of interest. They should be removed immediately.

Beaver Lake is the drinking water source for about one million people and drinking water should be the number one priority! The waste water facilities dumping "treated waste water" into tributaries feeding Beaver Lake is unacceptable. Their "treated waste water" creates byproducts that are known carcinogens. Do you even care? It appears not or you would not allow it to happen. These companies are not even fined and when they pollute the public reports state "no action was taken" against them. Actually, except for these governing board to change the language in the regs to double the allowable amount of toxins being dumped into these tributaries.

It is obvious that governing bodies in Arkansas are more interested in appeasing polluting companies, big corporations, than keeping Arkansas waterways clean, pure, and drinkable like they used to be.

It is disappointing and discouraging to see the 2018 AR List of Impaired Waterbodies (303D) and that the Arkansas government is allowing this to happen. I am extremely unhappy that rather than fix the problem these governing bodies just change language in regs to allow more dumping into tributaries feeding Beaver Lake which then keeps these polluting companies in compliance. Pitiful! Disgraceful! Just wrong!

Sincerely,

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