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I am troubled to learn that the Buffalo River and Big Creek, a tributary, are on the impaired list of water bodies in Arkansas. The Buffalo National River is a jewel in our nation's treasury of natural wonders. My family has a long history associated with the river. My great grandfather stung the first telephone lines from Rush to Rea Valley when Rush was a boom town on the lower Buffalo River. My granny, his daughter, spent some of here childhood in Rush. My other grandfather actually came up river to Rush on a steam boat in search of work! I and other members of of my family have canoed and played in the Buffalo River for generations. Consequently, I ask that the ADEQ do all it can within its power to find and mitigate sources of pollution to the river and to continue regular water quality checks and mitigation procedures. Thank you very much.

Cheers,

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