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To: [WaterbodyComments](#)
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Dear Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality,

I'm not sure what your agency expects from the Fourche Creek. As an occasional kayaker on it, I hope it can support its historic biodiversity and would look much more like it did at least 100 years ago. Sadly, the latter is often strikingly untrue throughout the year.

Are your goals the same as mine? If not, what are you doing about reconciling our differences? Especially considering the proximity to the state capital, I would hope its prioritization reflective of what can occur in a large metropolitan area despite the ills often associated with one.

Your current attention is sad, woefully lacking. You're receiving form letter comments from other Audubon Society members and supporters that detail ADEQ specific actions. I won't travel their formatted path. However, I will state I believe the creek warrants increased attention, prioritization, and studies because the amount of visible garbage flies in the face of your current position to say nothing of pathogenic indicator bacteria and other data collected by Friends of Fourche Creek after major storm events when E. coli counts spike due raw sewage intrusion by direct flows into it. I think an accurate agency reassessment and increased prioritization are overdue and especially worthwhile.

Sincerely,
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