Greetings:

I would appreciate this email to be considered with other public comments, as it pertains to the aforementioned matter; and please record it as my being opposed to future permitting by ADEQ for swine operations in the Buffalo River Watershed w/ the following caveat. That caveat is that I do not know the scientific basis for the moratorium call on swine operations of 750 or more hogs which weigh greater than 55 pounds or 3,000 or more swine weighing less than 55 pounds. Therefore, I cannot come out in favor or against such a proposed rule at this time. Yet, I encourage your Commission to set stricter scientifically based rules that prohibit operations similar to the C&H Farm from being built in the future.

I believe the Buffalo River Watershed is a jewel of the state and should be afforded special protections that are not evenly applied to other areas and watersheds of Arkansas. In other areas, your already established rules may be sufficient.

Thank you for the given attention to this comment and matter.

Sincerely,

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