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Report to Earthjustice

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I have been asked by Earthjustice to review and comment on the USDA and SBA Draft Environmental Assessment of C & H Hog Farms¹, specifically with respect to water quality and nutrient management.

I. PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE AND EXPERTISE

My credentials and expertise in the area of water quality, and particularly the agricultural impact on water quality, extend back to 1973 when I began my career studying the impact of point and nonpoint sources on water quality. I earned my Ph.D. in Environmental Science and Engineering from Virginia Tech in a study of various sources of pollution in the Occoquan Watershed in Northern Virginia. Since that time I have focused primarily on agricultural water quality addressing watershed management, livestock waste management, nutrient management planning, and agricultural best management practices. I have studied design of waste treatment systems and nutrient management in cropland, and I have conducted research on agricultural pollution control, evaluating conservation practices, nutrient management, and animal waste management practices and their water quality impacts.

As Director of the National Water Quality Evaluation Project at North Carolina State University, I was the technical advisor to USDA and EPA on the Federal Clean Water Program, and developed guidance for states to meet requirements of the 1987 Nonpoint Source amendments to the Clean Water Act. From 1990 to 2010 I was the Coordinator of Water Quality programs for the Division of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources at Oklahoma State University. Since my retirement from OSU in 2010, I have consulted on water quality issues in North Carolina, New York, West Virginia, the Chesapeake Bay, and Arkansas. My numerous research papers and articles on agricultural pollution control, watershed management, and other areas affecting the quality of water resources and the various awards and recognitions for my work are presented in my curriculum vitae, which is attached.

II. BACKGROUND

I have reviewed the original Notice of Intent submitted by C & H Hog Farms to the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) in 2012², the 2014 Annual Report submitted by C & H Hog Farms³, and the first proposed permit modification in 2015⁴. These reviews found a number of deficiencies in the original permit application and some issues that, although not addressed by the requirements of the permit, are particularly important for protection of the Buffalo River. Although some of these issues have been addressed, many persist till the present and have not been treated adequately in the Environmental Assessment.

Water Quality issues are discussed below in two groups: (1) Waste Storage Pond Design and Management, (2) Nutrient management and waste disposal. I conclude with some general

comments on the water quality observations and the inadequacy of the Arkansas permit and its associated Nutrient Management Plan.

III. WASTE STORAGE POND DESIGN AND MANAGEMENT

A. *Leakage from Waste Storage Ponds*

The ADEQ permit provides minimal protection from storage pond leakage, allowing as much as 5,000 gal/acre per day to leak through the clay liner. C&H's clay liner was designed based on analysis of only one soil sample and there was no testing of the permeability of the final liner construction. The high shrink-swell potential of the liner materials have a tendency to crack when allowed to dry, increasing the potential for leakage during the cycle of filling and emptying the ponds. An EPA inspection conducted April 15-17, 2014 found that the upper edge of the clay liner were protected by erosion control fabric, but did not indicate any effort to prevent liner cracking.

The EA indicates that C & H intends to install a HDPE plastic liner in the existing waste storage ponds. The original concerns for leakage could be alleviated by installation of such a liner, but retrofitting it to the C&H facility is not a simple matter. All seams must be carefully welded and tested, and there must be no organic matter decomposing under the liner as a gas bubble would cause the liner to float. Until I can be assured this liner is installed properly, my concern for leakage from the ponds remains.

B. *Danger of Embankment Failure*

The two waste storage ponds are situated on the side of a steep slope and designed to contain all waste, wash water, and rain water, including a 25-yr 24-hr design storm without discharging. The design meets the requirements of the CAFO permit and ADEQ, but does not consider the special nature of the Buffalo River. Because the waste pond design assumes there will be no discharge, the second pond in the series has no stabilized, emergency outlet. If the pond were to overtop the embankment due to a very large storm (much greater than the design storm) or a prolonged period of wet weather, or a combination of wet weather and extreme storm, there would be a danger of catastrophic failure of the embankment. Such failure could release as much as 2 million gallons of waste into the Buffalo River, a disaster not unlike the recent mine waste disaster in Colorado. In high risk areas, it is standard practice to include a stabilized outlet to allow discharge without failure of the embankment.

In addition, the waste system design assumes that overtopping can be avoided by pumping wastes from the waste storage ponds to a designated area, specifically Field 7. This plan is unrealistic, however, for two reasons. First, the farm does not appear to have a pumping system with sufficient capacity to pump down the waste storage ponds in an emergency (this is indicated by their request to use vacu-tankers for pumping down waste storage pond 2 in the Permit Modification Request), and second because the designated field, Field 7, is one of the worst places to use for emergency waste disposal because of its location directly adjacent to Big Creek and its high soil test P. Vacu-tankers or other wheel vehicles would not be suitable for waste application in extremely wet weather, and Field 7 is very likely to flood during such a period.

IV. NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT AND WASTE DISPOSAL

The nutrient management plan at C &H Hog Farms is based on disposal of Phosphorus as most of the fields already have medium to very high soil test P levels, and the crop has little to no need for additional P fertilizer. Consequently the Arkansas Phosphorus Index (API) is used to justify application of waste beyond the P-requirement of the crop. In my opinion, fields that receive waste application in amounts that exceed the crop requirements should be considered waste disposal making them potentially subject to stormwater rules.

C&H's Nutrient Management Plan indicates that virtually all of its designated fields are intended to receive waste application greater than the crop requirements, and some will exceed both the Nitrogen and Phosphorus requirements of the crop. As highlighted in the table below, the 2014 Annual Report to ADEQ showed that either N or P (or both) was applied in excess of the approved amounts in 6 fields (Fields 3, 4, 10, 13, 14, and 15) during 2014. This is surprising considering that some fields (6, 7, 9, and 13) allow application of very high amounts of waste.

Comparison of waste applied by field in 2014 with that approved in C&H permit (source C&H Annual Report 1-27-2015)						
Field	Waste galx1000		N lb Total		P2O5 Total lbs	
	approved	actual	approved	applied	approved	applied
1	69.6	46	2,927	773	2,265	833
2	34.0	22.6	1,266	380	973	409
3	120.2	118.1	1,023	1,984	786	2,138
4	43.7	28.8	655	484	503	521
5	0.0		11,621			
6	0.0		16,895			-
7	464.9	396.2	36,346	6,656	27,921	7,171
8	146.5	25	7,583	420	5,826	453
9	312.0	103.8	20,178	1,744	15,501	1,879
10	527.4	249.2	4,487	4,187	3,449	4,511
11	140.6	51	1,541	857	1,184	923
12	163.5	48	2,668	806	2,050	869
13	503.9	453.55	4,587	7,620	3,526	8,209
14	72.3	73	1,340	1,226	1,030	1,321
15	318.8	401.4	1,543	6,744	3,492	7,265
16	212.8	56	8,380	941	6,441	1,014
17	574.2	294.75	12,006	4,952	9,228	5,335
Total	3,704.4	2,367.4	135,046	39,772	84,175	42,850

The continued over-application of P-rich waste water will result in buildup of soil P and increasing loss of P to nearby Big Creek and the Buffalo River. Soil-P-buildup is particularly likely if the fields are grazed by cattle rather than harvested for hay. Whereas cutting hay and removing it from the field removes nutrients, grazing by cattle removes very little as most of the nutrients remain in the field, promoting soil-P buildup. If the fields are grazed without removing

hay, the N-requirement of the crop is very much reduced making the NMP invalid. [It is not clear from the reports and the plans which, if any fields, will be harvested for hay and which will just be grazed. In the Draft EA only Fields 1, 2, and 4 are indicated as Rotational Grazing, and the rest are indicated as Hayland. On the other hand, the Certified Nutrient Management Plan submitted to ADEQ by C&H on December 22, 2013⁵ showed only Fields 3, 8, 15, and 17 designated for grazing, and the Annual Aggregate Phosphorus spread sheet submitted February 26, 2015⁶ indicates all fields designated for grazing. Further, all soil test samples submitted to UA for the initial NOI indicated grazing as the intended use of the fields.]

V. KARSTIC FEATURES, GRAVEL LENSES, AND FLOODING

The Draft EA states there are no flood plains in the C&H waste disposal area (page 3-2). This is clearly in error, as the fields directly adjacent to Big Creek and specified for waste application (Fields 3, 5, 6, 7, 9, 12, and 16) are indicated in the soil survey as “occasionally flooded” (Draft EA page 3-22). Although not identified as flood plain, these fields are the flood plain of Big Creek, as indicated by their position on the landscape, their low slope, and the presence of buried gravel lenses and alluvial soils (see the University of Arkansas Big Creek Research and Extension Team (BCRET) Quarterly Report April-June 2014⁷).

It has been well-documented that the Buffalo River watershed and Big Creek are generally underlain by limestone with sink holes, solution caverns, cherty soils, and gravel lenses (see reports by Brahana and others). Indications of gravel lenses, cherty soils, and even karst were found in the University of Arkansas Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR) study. This was confirmed by Electrical Resistivity Imaging in an Oklahoma State University Study (Fields and Halihan, BCRET 2nd Quarter 2015 Report⁸). Never-the-less, the EA dismisses karst as an issue.

Epikarst with coarse chert, and gravel lenses, as observed in the BCRET and OSU studies indicate that short-circuit pathways from the disposal fields to Big Creek and the Buffalo River are likely. Although UA and OSU only studied two fields, their results provide strong evidence that such features are active throughout the area along Big Creek, where hog waste will be spread by C&H, and excessive application of waste in this area is a threat to the Buffalo River.

VI. GENERAL COMMENTS

A. *Water quality observations*

The Draft EA presents water quality observations from the BCRET study as evidence that C&H Hog Farms has no impact on water quality of Big Creek or the Buffalo River. Although the BCRET study is very well instrumented, and the researchers are qualified to conduct the research they have undertaken, the results do not address the question at hand. First, the observations run for a period only 18 months, roughly the period that C&H has been in operation. This is a short period of record, and an even shorter period for waste disposal by C&H. A period of 5 to 10 years is needed to establish the impact on a large water body like Big Creek. Further the data are incomplete; the record does not show the location and timing of land application of wastes making it even more difficult to establish any cause-effect relationship.

Considering the watershed is very large and C&H has been in operation for only a short time, it is very difficult if not impossible to measure its impact on Big Creek. However in the long term, this impact is likely to become visible.

B. Inadequacy of the Arkansas permit to protect the Buffalo River

In my opinion the Arkansas CAFO general permit generally is not adequate to protect the High Quality resource of the Buffalo River. The C&H permit demonstrates this clearly. C&H has been allowed to operate with as much as 5,000 gal/acre per day leakage of waste from the waste storage ponds. Considering the cherty soils and karstic nature of the limestone bedrock, this leakage could be funneled directly into the river. Second, having a large waste storage pond on the side of a steep slope without a reinforced emergency outlet could result in disaster if there is a wet weather period compounded by a hurricane dumping 10- to 20 inches of rain in a few days. Third, the designated area for emergency pumping is a flood plain that is likely to have saturated soils or even be flooded when it is needed. Fourth, the permit allows C&H to continue to apply waste to soils that already have more P than is required by the growing crop

As implemented, the Arkansas permit allows a great deal of flexibility for the operator. The C&H nutrient management plan, which is a term of the permit, allows the operator to plan extremely high application rates, which if followed, would definitely contaminate the water resource. Only through the continued scrutiny of inspectors and interested citizens has this flexibility been constrained. Even so, several fields have been overloaded with waste, beyond that approved in the plan. This is likely to become more important and damaging to the quality of Big Creek as C&H continues to operate.

VII. REFERENCES

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Educational Background:

- Ph.D. Environmental Sciences and Engineering, VA Polytechnic Inst. and State University, 1976.
- MS. Botany (Minor in Biochemistry), University of Tennessee, 1970.
- BS. Biology (Minor in Chemistry), University of Rochester, 1967.

Employment History:

August 2010 – Present Lithochimeia, LLC. Water Quality and Agricultural Waste Management Specialist and Agricultural Project Manager.

July 2010 - Present Professor Emeritus, Biosystems and Agricultural Engineering Department, Oklahoma State University

July 1994 – 2010. Professor, Biosystems and Agricultural Engineering Department, Oklahoma State University, Water Quality Coordinator for Division of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources. Member of Graduate Faculty.

November 1990 - June 1994. Associate Professor, Biosystems and Agricultural Engineering Department, Oklahoma State University, Water Quality Coordinator for Division of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources. Associate member of Graduate Faculty.

August 1985 to November 1990. Visiting Associate Professor, Biological and Agricultural Engineering Department, North Carolina State University. Leader of the Water Quality Group and principal investigator on all Group projects. Associate member of Graduate Faculty.

July 1983 to July 1985. Visiting Assistant Professor, Biological and Agricultural Engineering Department, North Carolina State University. Principal Investigator for the National Water Quality Evaluation Project and related water quality investigations. Associate member of Graduate Faculty.

January 1980 to July 1983. Assistant Professor, Agricultural Engineering Department, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (VPI&SU). Research (80%): soil conservation and water quality management for agriculture and surface mining. Developed water quality laboratory and hydrologic/water quality monitoring program. Teaching 20%: Hydrologic Modeling, Animal Waste Management, and Microcomputer Programming.

July 1976 to December 1979. Assistant Professor, Southern Piedmont Research and Continuing Education Center, VPI&SU, Blackstone, VA. Project leader for Environmental Quality Research. Developed field monitoring and water quality laboratory.

February 1975 to June 1976. Research Associate, Southern Piedmont Research and Continuing Education Center, VPI&SU, Blackstone, VA. Developed proposals and plans for environmental research.

September 1972 to January 1975. Graduate Research Assistant, Civil Engineering Department, VPI&SU. Assisted in setting up laboratory and field sampling protocol for the Occoquan Watershed Monitoring Laboratory.

Professional Society Membership:

- American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers (since 1975)
- American Geophysical Union (since 1976)
- American Association for the Advancement of Science (since 1976)
- American Water Resources Association (since 1987)
- Oklahoma Clean Lakes and Watersheds Association (since 1991)

Professional Consulting Lithochimeia, LLC (2010 to present)

Dairy Waste Management and, Dairy CAFO rules, Swine Waste Treatment Technology,
Evaluation of Swine CAFOs, Poultry Waste Management – Waterkeeper Alliance, Earth
Justice
EPA Chesapeake Bay Program

Independent Professional Consulting (1982-present)

Aamodt Law Firm (2003, 2008, 2010, 2012, 2013) – Consulting Expert Stormwater and Sediment
Control litigation
Texas Commission on Higher Education (2003, 2009) – Review of Environmental Research
Proposals
Johnston and Associates (2002) – Stormwater and Sediment Control litigation
City of Austin, Austin, TX (1998) – Stormwater and Sediment Control Education
University of Nebraska, Lincoln, NE (1997) – Develop undergraduate curriculum for Quantitative
Biology in Engineering
Water Environment Research Foundation, Alexandria, VA (1995-97) – Review of water quality
project
US Environmental Protection Agency, Science Advisory Board, Washington, DC (1987) –
Nonpoint Source Pollution Policy
Woodward-Clyde Consultants (1987) – Water quality monitoring methods
Research Triangle Institute, Research Triangle Park, NC (1985) – evaluation of water quality
research
VPI&SU Agricultural Engineering Dept. Blacksburg, VA (1984) – Finite Element Modeling for
Hydrology and Water Quality Simulation
U. S. Army Corps of Engineers. Vicksburg, MS (1983) – Development of infiltration and lateral
flow component for the HELP model for landfill design
GKY and Associates, Springfield, VA (1982) – Review of water quality research

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Watershed.** 2004-2008. EPA and OCC. H. Zhang, M. D. Smolen. Federal: \$28,402; State:
\$18,935; Total: \$47,337.

Nonpoint Source Education Program for Spavinaw Creek Watershed. 2004-2007. OCC. M.
D. Smolen, J. Hollenback, M. Beem, B. Ross. OCC: \$172,848; State: \$116,120; Total: \$288,968

Erosion Control on Rural Unimproved Roads in Stillwater Creek Watershed. 2002-2006.
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Nonpoint Source Education Program in Stillwater Creek Watershed. 2002-2006.
OCC. M. D. Smolen, B. Barfield, D. Martin, D. Hillock, M. Schnelle, T. Bidwell, P. Bolin. Federal:
\$87,000; State: \$58,000; Total: \$145,000. (Completed)

- A Nutrient Management Decision Support System for the Eucha Basin.** 2002-2005. USDA/CSREES and EPA. M. Matlock, I. Chaubey, B. Haggard, D. E. Storm, M. D. Smolen, W. Focht. Federal: \$686,000.
- Oklahoma Green Country Watershed Education Project.** 2001-2004. USDA/CSREES. M. D. Smolen and W. Ross. Federal: \$267,000. (Completed)
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- Swine Waste Management Education.** 1994-1998. U.S. EPA and OCC. D. Hamilton and M. D. Smolen. Federal: \$26,000; State: \$17,333; Total: \$39,333. (Completed)
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Peacheater Creek Hydrologic Unit Area Project. 1991-1999. USDA/CSREES. Federal: \$425,000;

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Southern Region Biennial Water Quality Conferences. Program Chair: 2001, 2003, 2005, 2007.2009 Sponsored by the Southern Regional Water Quality Program and USDA-CSREES. Gulf Shores, AL., Ruidoso, NM., Lexington, KY., Fayetteville, AR.

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Riparian Area Management Workshops. One-day workshops for technical staffs of NRCS, Extension, Tribes, and other organizations. Conducted at 9 locations around Oklahoma, October 1998 through June 1999.

Water Quality and Animal Waste Conference. Oklahoma Chapter of AWRA. Oklahoma City. April 4-6, 1998.

Eco-Camp. Environmental Issues Camp. (June 1997, 1998) With Joe Bullard, Billie Chambers, Larry Sanders, Marty Green, Becki Rhea, and Marley Beem) Three days of camp for teenage youth were conducted in LeFlore County. Camp was initially funded by EPA Environmental Education Grant.

Regional CAFO Conferences for Producers. Educational support for animal producers to explain the EPA General Permit for Discharge from Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations (CAFOs). Five one-day conferences were held in: Broken Bow, Muskogee, Ft. Cobb, Enid, and Guymon. November 1993.

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Storm Water Management and Sediment Control Training for Developers and Contractors. Sponsored by the Tulsa Builders Association. Developed with the Soil Conservation Service. September 1993.

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Committees and Task Forces:

- Advisory Committee on Water Information, US Dept of Interior Subcommittee on Sedimentation) – 2010
- Oklahoma Grand River Dam Authority Technical Committee 2007
- Grand Lake 4-State Watershed Collaborative – Chair of Steering Committee 2007-2010

OSU DASNR Water Center Task Force – Chair 2007
OSU DASNR Environmental Quality and Waste Management Initiative Team – Coordinator 2005-2010
Universities Council on Water Resources – OSU Representative (2002-2010)
USDA-CSREES Water Quality Program, National Advisory/Leadership Team, Chair 1999-2001
Oklahoma Water Quality Monitoring Council, Academic Representative (1998-2010)
Oklahoma Poultry Rules Advisory Committee, Water Quality Representative (1998- present)
Oklahoma Nonpoint Source Work Group (1995-2010)
NRCS State Technical Committee for EQIP (1997- 2010)
Governor's Task Force on the Illinois River (1991-1994)
Southern Region Extension Water Quality Planning Committee (1991 - 2013), Chair: 1996-1997
Urban IPM Committee, Oklahoma State University
OSU Environmental Sciences Graduate Program, Steering Council, Oklahoma State University (1991-2010)
Great Plains Agricultural Council, Animal Waste Task Force Water Committee (1993-1994), Chair (1992-93)
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