Comments to Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission meeting April 29, 2016

EC Farms proposes to move the C&H waste over to 30 parcels in the Left Fork of Big Creek and Shop Creek that flows into the Little Buffalo and on into the Buffalo River.

They have also asked for approval to spread twice a much waste as their CAFO currently produces. Are they planning to build another facility close to the watershed? We are concerned about this possibility as it would go against the spirit of the moratorium of allowing no new Medium or large hog CAFOs in the watershed.

Also, if the additional parcels are approved to receive waste, how will that effect the Big Creek Research and Extension Team's (BCRET) testing of Big Creek? Will they be monitoring the other streams for water quality?

Finally I'd like to say that after attending many of these hearings and meetings now, I would like to thank Cargill. I have learned so much from this experience!

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