

To Whom it May Concern,

As a Massachusetts resident and future tourist to the state of Arkansas, I am writing to urge your further consideration of a full Environmental Impact Statement for the effects the hog farm has on its surrounding environment-- including and especially the groundwater and nearby rivers. I have been following the BRWA as a concerned citizen who has paid attention to the health of water quality / rivers in my own watershed and volunteered as a water quality tester. River health is essential for life.

Please take into consideration that:

- 1) Although the EA and FONSI deny the existence of karst geology under the farm, independent dye trace studies show subsurface movement of water near and around the spray fields into the Buffalo National River
- 2) The (EA) and (FONSI) do not take into account cumulative impacts to the aquatic habitat, water quality, and threatened and endangered species
- 3) The National Environmental Policy Act requires USDA/Small Business Administration to do an Environmental Impact Statement

All of us are connected by water, and need healthy and clean water to survive. Do everything in your power to mitigate the effects of the hog farm pollution. I look forward to visiting a clean river.

Sincerely,  
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