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I come from the Grand Prairie of Arkansas, where loamy top soil covers a thick layer of clay. Excellent rice growing conditions because of its water retention abilities.

I retired in Northwest Arkansas and found myself amazed by the porous subsurface that exist here. I walk a trail beside a small stream fed by several springs that, depending upon rainfall, will flow continuously, or disappear underground in one of three spots along a half mile stretch. Whenever it disappears however, it always starts to run above ground a few hundred yards downstream. Truly amazing to someone from 'rice country'.

This convinces me that a large hog feed lot, and it's millions of gallons of waste, have absolutely no place, never had any place, atop a karst terrain that will allow contamination of subsurface waters.

Please remove the hog farm permit.

Thank you.

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Sent from my iPad,

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