BEFORE THE ARKANSAS POLLUTION CONTROL AND ECOLOGY COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF AMENDMENTS TO )
REGULATION NO. 5: LIQUID ANIMAL ) DOCKET NO. 19-002-R
WASTE MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS )

RESPONSIVE SUMMARY

Comes now the Arkansas Department of Energy and Environment, Division of Environmental Quality, by and through, Robert Blanz, Associate Director of the Office of Water Quality, and provides this Responsive Summary as required under Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission Regulation No. 8.812.

I. INTRODUCTION

The public comment record for Docket No. 19-002-R contains over 1719 comments pertaining to changes to Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission (APC&EC) Regulation No. 5, Liquid Animal Waste Management Systems.

The notice of proposed Regulation No. 5 changes and public hearing was published on August 3 and 4, 2019, in the Arkansas Democrat-Gazette. APC&EC held a public hearing on August 23, 2019, to receive comments on the proposed rule change to APC&EC Regulation No. 5. The public comment period closed on September 22, 2019. APC&EC reopened the public comment period on October 24, 2019, with an end date of January 22, 2020.

II. RESPONSES TO WRITTEN AND VERBAL COMMENTS

The following people or organizations sent comments during the public comment period and public hearing.
The following submitted comments in favor of the rulemaking for Rule 5 to make permanent the moratorium on medium and large CAFOs in the Buffalo River Watershed:

Steven & Joan Miller; Cindy Rimkus; Millie Nelms; Sue Mabry; Cindy Thornton; Sarah Jane Polk; Josh Cross; Linda Vanblaricom; Rene Diaz; Court Mathey; Kathryn Searcy; Michael Boyd; Ruth Weinstein McShane; Joe McShane; Kathy Downs; Kathy Sutlerfield; Mark Smith; Butch Anselm; Janet Brown; Harriett & Dennis Sisson; Faith McLaughlin; Jan VanSchuyver; Shirely and Robert Bowen; Sheena Pettit; Aletha Tetertton; Jane Spellman; Edie Stahl; Lynn Parker; Jason Wakefield; Geniece Yates; Holly Hanson; Debbie Alexy; Katie Schneider; Elva Kelly; Cay Miller; Bonnie Smith; Caleb Reed; Barbara Moorman; Becky McCain; Ruth Colquitt; Gregory Merlino; James Ollersenshaw; Ted Barnette; Hilda Booth; Kathleen and Larry Stanley; Laura Timby; Joe Golden; Pat Costner; James Binns; Rachel Henriquez; Bryce Huff; Dave Smith; John Shelton; Lolly Tindol; Mary Floyd; Corey Brady; Trudi and Jeff Rust; Nancy Deisch; Mary Ann Guinn; Frank Reuter; Ryan Cloud; Robert van Rossum; Rebecca Holden; Leigh Barham; Hank van Rossum; Ann Lasater; Karen Bartle; Cathy Bayne; Carolyn Quick; Annie Langston; Vern Berry; Anne Littell; David Saugey; Shane Jetton; Carroll Fletcher; Susan Hardin; Chuck Maize; John Kelsey; Mary Ryan; Nancy Harris; Dan Stockman; Carolyn Cloud; Scott Davis; David Montague; Joan Murphy; Ginger Milan; Jeff Carfagno; James Gately; Linda Lewis; Mike Tipton; Sally Wood; Sally Jones; Nancy Pierson; Barbara Metzger; Nancy & Harrison Miner; Gail Leftwich; Lloyd & Linda Stith; Karen Baris; Kevin Ehemann; Dean Wilson; Mary Weeks; Carol Storthz; Gerald & Karen Gordy; Robert Cagle; Walter Fenton; Patricia Roe; Bill Thorne; Monty Keel; Joe Wavery Newman, III; Diane Mitchell; Susan Heaney; Nancy Hartney; Wendy Johnson; Mary Fitzgerald; Rose Wallace; Cathy Ross; Keith Faulkner; Bishop Bower; Shelley Buonaiuto; Greg Watkins; Tammy Narramore; Pam Chrico; Barbara Turney; Allen Powell; Brad Lindsey; Rose Alisandre; S. J. Tucker; Helen Pounds; Janette Groves; Janet Bachmann; Brad Green; Pats Mitchell; David Edsall; Jennifer McMahon; Gwyn Pope; Tim Hicks; Dan Turney; Ann Mesrobian; Kimberly Brasher; Terry Sutterfield; Jay Stanley; James Mott; Robert Bowker; James, Grace, Jimmy, Amy, Rean, Rachel, Brandon, Eva, Madison, Jake, and Josh McPherson; Dee Plunkett; Patricia Peterson; John Buchan; Ellie Stalker; Kay Abney; Dara Yeager; Carole Schuster; Peggy Moody; Heather Hudgens; Krista Garrett; Helen McElree; Steve Owen; Ginger Alexander; Robert and Nancy Lewis; Robert Magness; Russ Wright; Matthew Pekar; Stephen Ballard; Joyce Hale; William Wimberly; J. LaBrie; Carol Kennedy; Jerry Weber; Duane and Judith Woltjen; Cory Betts; Scott Stanley; Darla Newman; Kennet and Tracie Pape; Tracy Fortuny; Marsha Gibson; Danny Barker; Ed Brocksmith; Beth Rooney; Laura Newth; Steve Parsons; Fay Knox; Dotty Phillips; George and Vee Ann Miller; Ron Schneider; Mike Risk; Dan Scheiman; Steve and Kim Hesse; Patrick and Kristine Hall; Ray Quick; Michelle Davis; Beth Buckley; Deborah Byron; Patty Doyal; Todd Parnell; Susan Leahy; Bill Farrell; Beth Barham; Susan Bolding; Sarah Rausch; Lynda Janos; Ralph Doty; Pam Phillips; John Outler; Mike Fagan; Camille Carpenter; Michele Hughes; Reba Potee; Ammen Jordan; Stephanie Jordan; Michael Crane; Dave Kuhne; John Ray; Georgia Lengyel; Jerrell Dillaha; Stuart Reaves; Patricia McDonald; Patti Kent; Phyllis Head; Barabara
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Response: The Division acknowledges the comments submitted in favor of the rulemaking for Rule 5 to make permanent the moratorium on medium and large CAFOs in the Buffalo River Watershed.
Commenter: Arkansas Pork Producers Association

Comment: Arkansas Pork Producers Association opposes any changes to Rule 5 as proposed in the Third Party Rulemaking.

Response: The rulemaking for Rule 5, initiated on July 26, 2019, is not a Third Party Rulemaking.

Comment: Arkansas Pork Producers Association requests that no decision on this Third Party Rulemaking be made until the Big Creek Research and Extension Team has been given the opportunity to publish its final report.

Response: The rulemaking for Rule 5, initiated on July 26, 2019, by DEQ, is not a Third Party Rulemaking. The Big Creek Research and Extension Team published its Final Report on or about October 22, 2019, and published a revision on December 31, 2019. The Commission reopened the public comment period for Rule 5 and Rule 6 for an additional ninety (90) days, with January 22, 2019, as the end of the public comment period.

Commenter: American Fisheries Society Arkansas Chapter

Comment: Rule 5.901 - Remove “National” from references to Buffalo River watershed. “Buffalo National River” denotes the National Park Service geographic entity. “Buffalo River watershed” is more appropriate.

Response: Removed “National” from each reference to “Buffalo National River watershed.”

Comment: Rule 5.901(A) - “United States Geological Survey” is the appropriate name.

Response: Corrected the spelling by adding “al” to “Geologic.”

Comment: Rule 5.901(B) - Why is this limited to swine? From a nutrient standpoint, wouldn’t other types of medium and large CAFOs (e.g., turkey, chicken, cattle) also contribute significant pollutants of concern?

Response: The proposed change to the rule makes permanent the current moratorium on liquid animal waste management systems for confined animal operations of a certain size in the Buffalo River watershed.

Commenter: Don McCaskill

Comment: Future regulations must be in the form of permanent prohibitions instead of moratoriums that are inherently subject to renewal and potential weakening; the prohibition must not be limited just to swine CAFOs, but must also include concentrated “factory” farming of cattle and other domesticated livestock that, for purposes of efficient operations, generate liquid waste with associated handling
facilities; no exceptions should be made that would allow permitting small CAFO's (based on number or size of animals) in the watershed since multiple small operations would likely be equally damaging and even more difficult to monitor and control; Technologically-sound restrictions on the importation of animal manure from outside the watershed and its application as fertilizer should be considered.

Response: Commenter may propose such changes through the Third Party Rulemaking process outlined in APC&EC Rule 8.

Comment: While concentrated poultry production does not typically produce liquid manure, scientifically-based restrictions on generation and/or distribution of poultry litter in the watershed should also be administered.

Response: The proposed change to the rule makes permanent the current moratorium on confined animal operations of a certain size in the Buffalo River watershed. Rule 5 is specific to liquid animal waste management systems. Comments regarding dry poultry litter are more appropriately directed to the Arkansas Department of Agriculture, Division of Natural Resources.

Commenter: Jessie Green

Comment: Why is the proposed permanent moratorium in the Buffalo River watershed limited to swine? (Rule 5.901)

Response: The proposed change to the rule makes permanent the current moratorium on confined animal operations of a certain size in the Buffalo River watershed.

Comment: A facility meeting the size threshold of a medium swine CAFO could still be permitted under Rule 5.901(B) and Rule 6.602(B).

Response: The proposed Rule 5.901(B) and Rule 6.602(B) prohibit issuance of a permit to any facility with (1) 750 or more swine weighing 55 pounds or more; or (2) 3000 swine weighing less than 55 pounds.

Comment: There are major discrepancies between the moratorium as outlined in Rule 5 and Rule 6. Will an AFO meeting the size threshold, but not regulatory definition of a medium CAFO be able to obtain coverage under Rule 6 in the Buffalo River watershed?

Response: No.

Comment: Including language stating "all operations meeting the size threshold will be assumed to be significant contributors of pollutants, and therefore designated as a CAFO" to Rule 5.901(B) and Rule 6.602(B) would address concerns outlined in section A. II. in comments above. However, size thresholds outlined in Rule
5.901(B) and Rule 6.602(B) do not provide sufficient clarity to which operations are subject to the moratorium.

Response: The size thresholds are clearly stated. Rule 5 does not require that an operation be designated as a CAFO. The Rule prohibits any swine Confined Animal Operations of a certain size.

Comment: For each combination of swine listed above from 2013-2018 C&H annual reports, please respond in comments as to whether the department would have classified a new facility with the proposed corresponding numbers as: a) Large-CAFO; b) Medium-CAFO; c) Medium-sized facility (not CAFO). Please provide detailed response as to the factors underlying all determinations for hypothetically proposed operations to help clarify the scope of the moratorium.

Response: Hypothetical applications are outside the scope of this rulemaking.

Comment: Technical requirements, facility construction certification, and permitting provisions for CAFOs seeking NPDES permit coverage under Rule 6 should be (at minimum) as stringent as required by Rule 5.

Response: This comment is outside the scope of this rulemaking.

Comment: Land application requirements should be outlined for all outstanding natural resource waters as defined by the Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission Rule No. 2. (Rule 5.406(D))

Response: This comment is outside the scope of this rulemaking.

Comment: Annual reporting requirements for animal operations subject to Rule 5 and Rule 5 should be revised to adequately evaluate runoff potential.

Response: This comment is outside the scope of this rulemaking.

Comment: Please provide adequate information regarding the site-specific characteristics of the Buffalo River watershed (e.g., karst terrain) that result in waters of the state being more vulnerable to land use applications (e.g., CAFO operations) and thereby warranting a permanent moratorium on select swine CAFOs.

Response: Congress designated the Buffalo River as the first National River in 1972 “for the purposes of conserving and interpreting an area containing unique scenic and scientific features, and preserving [it] as a free-flowing stream.” 16 U.S.C. § 460m-8. APC&EC Rule 2 affords the Buffalo National River its highest category of designated use, “Extraordinary Resource Water.” The Division did not review or approve the study design and has no authority over the data analysis performed by BCRET. While the Division may consider the research conducted by the University of Arkansas, questions regarding the study and the final report should be more appropriately directed to the University of Arkansas.
Commenter: Arkansas Farm Bureau Federation

Comment: The Arkansas Farm Bureau Federation would like to offer the following comments opposing the permanent moratorium on the Buffalo River watershed as initiated in Arkansas Pollution Control & Ecology Commission (APC&EC) Regulation's 5 and 6. The ADEQ and APC&EC initiated rulemaking to prohibit landowners within the Buffalo River watershed their right to farm without a single shred of scientific evidence that animal agriculture, and in this case C&H Hog Farms, had caused an environmental impact. C&H Hog Farms was, and still to this day, the most heavily scrutinized and monitored farm in the state. The Big Creek Research and Extension Team was originally created by then Governor Mike Beebe to evaluate the potential impact and sustainable management of the C&H Farms operation on the water quality of Big Creek. Several years later, the ADEQ funded a drilling study to evaluate the lithology/geology below the waste storage ponds at C&H Hog Farms and to assess potential subsurface impact from the waste storage ponds. Upon completion of the drilling study, Governor Asa Hutchinson created the Beautiful Buffalo River Action Committee and authorized the development of a Watershed Management Plan for the Buffalo River Watershed that would evaluate its tributaries to determine which would need the most attention. The United States Geologic Survey (USGS) studied algal growth on the Buffalo River, as well as nutrient concentrations upstream and downstream of Big Creek on the Buffalo River. All of these studies identified above determined either Big Creek continues to maintain pristine water quality and C&H was having no environmental impact.

Response: The Division does not concur with Commenter’s conclusion regarding studies undertaken in the Buffalo River Watershed. In the Buffalo River Watershed, four Assessment Units (two sections of Big Creek and two sections of the Buffalo National River) have been identified as impaired: three for bacteria and one for dissolved oxygen.

Comment: Environmental groups state the moratorium is based on sound science and the justification used is to merely regurgitate the definition of karst. The mere presence of karst does not constitute scientific justification for a permanent moratorium. All of Northwest Arkansas and Northcentral from the Black River to the Oklahoma Border and North of the Arkansas River to Missouri as well as portion of Southwest Arkansas are underlain by karst. Using this logic, these areas should also be included in the moratorium.

Response: The purpose of this rulemaking is to make permanent the current moratorium on swine operations of a certain size in the Buffalo River watershed.

Comment: The temporary moratorium was put in place until such time as the Big Creek and Research & Extension Team (BCRET) could study the impacts of the C&H Hog Farms operation. However, ADEQ has decided to initiate rulemaking despite the fact the BCRET final report has not been issued. In addition, at the July 26th commission meeting APC&EC commissioner Dr. Delia Haak requested the ADEQ postpone the comment period until the BCRET final report could be released and the public given an opportunity to review it so as to provide more meaningful feedback. The APC&EC commission implemented a temporary moratorium that required the following for Regulation 5: “Five years from the effective date of this regulation the Director shall initiate rulemaking to either delete this paragraph, Reg. 5.901(E), or delete the entirety of Reg. 5.901.” And the following for Regulation 6: “Five years from the effective date of this regulation the Director shall initiate rulemaking to either delete this paragraph, Reg. 6.602(E), or delete the entirety of Reg. 6.602.” Both Regulations have an effective date of August 28, 2015. Despite the fact that ADEQ is initiating rulemaking one year prior to regulatory requirements, which would allow sufficient time for the BCRET’s final report to be issued, the ADEQ is proposing to delete additional sections under Regulations 5.901 and 6.602 which will have an impact to currently permitted facilities within the watershed.

Response: Changes to Rule 5 and Rule 6 will not impact any currently permitted facilities. The Big Creek Research and Extension Team published its Final Report on or about October 22, 2019, and published a revision on December 31, 2019. The Commission reopened the public comment period for Rule 5 and Rule 6 for an additional ninety (90) days, with January 22, 2019, as the end of the public comment period.

Commenter: Ross Noland

Comment: My primary concern with the revisions, as proposed, is how ADEQ will respond to a facility seeking to house swine in numbers at the limit for both weight classes. Specifically, the draft rule could be interpreted to allow a facility housing 749 swine weighing 55 pound or more and 2,999 swine weighing 55 pounds or less. This would comprise a major facility with more swine waste present than that which C & H produced.

I suggest a rule adopting a simple conversion of counting every four animals which are less than 55 pounds as one which is over 55 pounds (3000/750=4). Thus, if a facility proposes a mixed weight-class operation, it will be clear what the maximum permitted number in each weight class is. For example, a facility proposing to keep 100 swine over 55 pounds could also house 2,600 swine under 55 pounds, but no more.

Response: DEQ acknowledges that the numbers determining the size of the facility are derived from the federal rules. The federal rules are based on animal units. DEQ takes this into consideration when reviewing permit applications.
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