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Comments: I am very concerned about the proposal for a coal mine within the Ouachita National Forest. At a time when climate chaos demands the elimination of fossil fuels, this seems like the very kind of project that we need to avoid. The possible negative effects of such a project are numerous and very serious. The potential for groundwater contamination alone is enough of a reason to deny the coal mine. Then there is the acidic waste and the disturbance of the forest. We need to increase protections of our precious remaining natural areas and, for that and the other reasons I have mentioned, I am very much opposed to the proposed coal mine.