

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY - ENFORCEMENT MATTER Page 1 of 2
DOCKET NO.: 2009-1324-EAQ-E **TCEQ ID:** RN105699060 **CASE NO.:** 38135
RESPONDENT NAME: La Fontana Springs LLC

ORDER TYPE:		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1660 AGREED ORDER	<input type="checkbox"/> FINDINGS AGREED ORDER	<input type="checkbox"/> FINDINGS ORDER FOLLOWING SOAH HEARING
<input type="checkbox"/> FINDINGS DEFAULT ORDER	<input type="checkbox"/> SHUTDOWN ORDER	<input type="checkbox"/> IMMINENT AND SUBSTANTIAL ENDANGERMENT ORDER
<input type="checkbox"/> AMENDED ORDER	<input type="checkbox"/> EMERGENCY ORDER	
CASE TYPE:		
<input type="checkbox"/> AIR	<input type="checkbox"/> MULTI-MEDIA (check all that apply)	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL AND HAZARDOUS WASTE
<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY	<input type="checkbox"/> PETROLEUM STORAGE TANKS	<input type="checkbox"/> OCCUPATIONAL CERTIFICATION
<input type="checkbox"/> WATER QUALITY	<input type="checkbox"/> SEWAGE SLUDGE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNDERGROUND INJECTION CONTROL
<input type="checkbox"/> MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE	<input type="checkbox"/> RADIOACTIVE WASTE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EDWARDS AQUIFER
<p>SITE WHERE VIOLATION(S) OCCURRED: La Fontana Springs Event Center, 27618 Natural Bridge Caverns Road, Garden Ridge, Comal County</p> <p>TYPE OF OPERATION: Event hall</p> <p>SMALL BUSINESS: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>OTHER SIGNIFICANT MATTERS: There are no complaints. There is no record of additional pending enforcement actions regarding this facility location.</p> <p>INTERESTED PARTIES: No one other than the ED and the Respondent has expressed an interest in this matter.</p> <p>COMMENTS RECEIVED: The <i>Texas Register</i> comment period expired on December 14, 2009. No comments were received.</p> <p>CONTACTS AND MAILING LIST: TCEQ Attorney/SEP Coordinator: Mr. Phillip Hampsten, SEP Coordinator, Enforcement Division, MC 219, (512) 239-6732 TCEQ Enforcement Coordinator: Ms. Carlie Konkol, Enforcement Division, Enforcement Team 3, MC 149, (512) 239-0735; Ms. Cari-Michel La Caille, Enforcement Division, MC 219, (512) 239-1387 Respondent: Mr. Cesar Trivino, President, La Fontana Springs LLC, 27618 Natural Bridge Caverns Road, Garden Ridge, Texas 78266 Respondent's Attorney: Not represented by counsel on this enforcement matter</p>		

VIOLATION SUMMARY CHART:

VIOLATION INFORMATION	PENALTY CONSIDERATIONS	CORRECTIVE ACTIONS TAKEN/REQUIRED
<p>Type of Investigation: <input type="checkbox"/> Complaint <input type="checkbox"/> Routine <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enforcement Follow-up <input type="checkbox"/> Records Review</p> <p>Date(s) of Complaints Relating to this Case: None</p> <p>Date of Investigation Relating to this Case: April 29, 2009</p> <p>Date of NOV/NOE Relating to this Case: July 15, 2009 (NOE)</p> <p>Background Facts: This was a follow-up investigation.</p> <p>WATER</p> <p>Failure to obtain approval of a WPAP prior to beginning a regulated activity over the Edwards Aquifer Recharge Zone. Specifically, the Respondent installed an on-site sewage facility without obtaining a WPAP [30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 213.4(a)(1)].</p>	<p>Total Assessed: \$13,000</p> <p>Total Deferred: \$2,600 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Expedited Settlement <input type="checkbox"/> Financial Inability to Pay</p> <p>SEP Conditional Offset: \$5,200</p> <p>Total Paid to General Revenue: \$5,200</p> <p>Site Compliance History Classification <input type="checkbox"/> High <input type="checkbox"/> Average <input type="checkbox"/> Poor</p> <p>Person Compliance History Classification <input type="checkbox"/> High <input type="checkbox"/> Average <input type="checkbox"/> Poor</p> <p>Major Source: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Applicable Penalty Policy: September 2002</p>	<p>Ordering Provisions:</p> <p>1) The Order will require the Respondent to implement and complete a Supplemental Environmental Project (SEP). (See SEP Attachment A)</p> <p>2) The Order will also require the Respondent to:</p> <p>a. Within 30 days after the effective date of this Agreed Order, submit an administratively complete application for approval of a WPAP and associated application fee;</p> <p>b. Respond completely and adequately to all TCEQ requests for additional information within 30 days of such requests, or by any other deadline specified in writing; and</p> <p>c. Within 45 days after the effective date of this Agreed Order, submit written certification and include detailed supporting documentation including photographs, receipts, and/or other records to demonstrate compliance with Ordering Provision No. 2.a.</p>

Additional ID No(s): Edward's Aquifer Registration No. 13-08120501

Attachment A
Docket Number: 2009-1324-EAQ-E

SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECT

Respondent:	La Fontana Springs LLC
Payable Penalty Amount:	Ten Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$10,400)
SEP Amount:	Five Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$5,200)
Type of SEP:	Pre-approved
Third-Party Recipient:	Texas Association of Resource Conservation and Development Areas, Inc. ("RC&D") - Abandoned Tire Clean-Up
Location of SEP:	Comal County

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("TCEQ") agrees to offset a portion of the administrative Penalty Amount assessed in this Agreed Order for the Respondent to contribute to a Supplemental Environmental Project ("SEP"). The offset is equal to the SEP Amount set forth above and is conditioned upon completion of the project in accordance with the terms of this Attachment A.

1. Project Description

A. Project

The Respondent shall contribute to the Third-Party Recipient pursuant to the agreement between the Third-Party Recipient and the TCEQ. Specifically, the contribution will be used to clean up sites where tires have been illegally disposed. Eligible sites will be limited to those where a responsible party cannot be found and reasonable efforts have been made to prevent dumping. SEP monies will be used to pay for the direct cost of tire collection and disposal. All dollars contributed will be used solely for the direct cost of the project and no portion will be spent on administrative costs. The SEP will be completed in accordance with all federal, state and local environmental laws and regulations.

The Respondent certifies that there is no prior commitment to do this project and that it is being performed solely in an effort to settle this enforcement action.

B. Environmental Benefit

This SEP will provide a discernible environmental benefit by providing for the proper disposal of tires and by reducing health threats associated with illegally dumped tires. Illegal tire dumpsites can become breeding grounds for disease-carrying mosquitoes and rodents. The potential for tire fires is also reduced by removing illegally dumped tires. Tire fires can result in the contamination of surface water, ground water and soil.

La Fontana Springs LLC
Agreed Order – Attachment A

C. Minimum Expenditure

The Respondent shall contribute at least the SEP Amount to the Third-Party Recipient and comply with all other provisions of this SEP.

2. **Performance Schedule**

Within 30 days after the effective date of this Agreed Order, the Respondent must contribute the SEP Amount to the Third-Party Recipient. The Respondent shall mail the contribution, with a copy of the Agreed Order, to:

Texas Association of Resource Conservation and Development Areas, Inc.
1716 Briarcrest Drive, Suite 510
Bryan, Texas 77802-2700

3. **Records and Reporting**

Concurrent with the payment of the SEP Amount, the Respondent shall provide the TCEQ SEP Coordinator with a copy of the check and transmittal letter indicating full payment of the SEP Amount to the Third-Party Recipient. The Respondent shall mail a copy of the check and transmittal letter to:

Enforcement Division
Attention: SEP Coordinator, MC 219
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
P.O. Box 13087
Austin, Texas 78711-3087

4. **Failure to Fully Perform**

If the Respondent does not perform its obligations under this SEP in any way, including full payment of the SEP Amount and submittal of the required reporting described in Section 3 above, the Executive Director may require immediate payment of all or part of the SEP Amount.

The check for any amount due shall be made out to "Texas Commission on Environmental Quality" and mailed to:

Litigation Division
Attention: SEP Coordinator, MC 175
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
P.O. Box 13088
Austin, Texas 78711-3088

The Respondent shall also mail a copy of the check to the TCEQ SEP Coordinator at the address in Section 3 above.

5. Publicity

Any public statements concerning this SEP made by or on behalf of the Respondent must include a clear statement that the project was performed as part of the settlement of an enforcement action brought by the TCEQ. Such statements include advertising, public relations, and press releases.

6. Clean Texas Program

The Respondent shall not include this SEP in any application made to TCEQ under the "Clean Texas" (or any successor) program(s). Similarly, the Respondent may not seek recognition for this contribution in any other state or federal regulatory program.

7. Other SEPs by TCEQ or Other Agencies

The SEP identified in this Agreed Order has not been, and shall not be, included as an SEP for the Respondent under any other Agreed Order negotiated with the TCEQ or any other agency of the state or federal government.



Penalty Calculation Worksheet (PCW)

Policy Revision 2 (September 2002)

PCW Revision October 30, 2008

TCEQ

DATES	Assigned	20-Jul-2009	Screening	29-Jul-2009	EPA Due	
	PCW	3-Aug-2009				

RESPONDENT/FACILITY INFORMATION			
Respondent	La Fontana Springs LLC		
Reg. Ent. Ref. No.	RN105699060		
Facility/Site Region	13-San Antonio	Major/Minor Source	Minor

CASE INFORMATION			
Enf./Case ID No.	38135	No. of Violations	1
Docket No.	2009-1324-EAQ-E	Order Type	1660
Media Program(s)	Edwards Aquifer	Government/Non-Profit	No
Multi-Media		Enf. Coordinator	Carlie Konkol
		EC's Team	Enforcement Team 3
Admin. Penalty \$ Limit Minimum	\$0	Maximum	\$10,000

Penalty Calculation Section

TOTAL BASE PENALTY (Sum of violation base penalties)	Subtotal 1	\$13,000
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ADJUSTMENTS (+/-) TO SUBTOTAL 1

Subtotals 2-7 are obtained by multiplying the Total Base Penalty (Subtotal 1) by the indicated percentage.

Compliance History	0.0% Enhancement	Subtotals 2, 3, & 7	\$0
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Notes: No adjustment is recommended due to compliance history.

Culpability	No	0.0% Enhancement	Subtotal 4	\$0
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Notes: The Respondent does not meet the culpability criteria.

Good Faith Effort to Comply Total Adjustments	Subtotal 5	\$0
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Economic Benefit	0.0% Enhancement*	Subtotal 6	\$0
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Total EB Amounts	\$114
Approx. Cost of Compliance	\$3,000

*Capped at the Total EB \$ Amount

SUM OF SUBTOTALS 1-7	Final Subtotal	\$13,000
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OTHER FACTORS AS JUSTICE MAY REQUIRE	0.0%	Adjustment	\$0
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Reduces or enhances the Final Subtotal by the indicated percentage.

Notes:

Final Penalty Amount	\$13,000
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STATUTORY LIMIT ADJUSTMENT	Final Assessed Penalty	\$13,000
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DEFERRAL	20.0% Reduction	Adjustment	-\$2,600
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Reduces the Final Assessed Penalty by the indicated percentage. (Enter number only; e.g. 20 for 20% reduction.)

Notes:

Deferral offered for expedited settlement.

PAYABLE PENALTY	\$10,400
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Screening Date 29-Jul-2009

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PCW

Respondent La Fontana Springs LLC

Policy Revision 2 (September 2002)

Case ID No. 38135

PCW Revision October 30, 2008

Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN105699060

Media [Statute] Edwards Aquifer

Enf. Coordinator Carlie Konkof

Compliance History Worksheet

>> **Compliance History Site Enhancement (Subtotal 2)**

Component	Number of...	Enter Number Here	Adjust.
NOVs	Written NOVs with same or similar violations as those in the current enforcement action <i>(number of NOVs meeting criteria)</i>	0	0%
	Other written NOVs	0	0%
Orders	Any agreed final enforcement orders containing a denial of liability <i>(number of orders meeting criteria)</i>	0	0%
	Any adjudicated final enforcement orders, agreed final enforcement orders without a denial of liability, or default orders of this state or the federal government, or any final prohibitory emergency orders issued by the commission	0	0%
Judgments and Consent Decrees	Any non-adjudicated final court judgments or consent decrees containing a denial of liability of this state or the federal government <i>(number of judgements or consent decrees meeting criteria)</i>	0	0%
	Any adjudicated final court judgments and default judgments, or non-adjudicated final court judgments or consent decrees without a denial of liability, of this state or the federal government	0	0%
Convictions	Any criminal convictions of this state or the federal government <i>(number of counts)</i>	0	0%
Emissions	Chronic excessive emissions events <i>(number of events)</i>	0	0%
Audits	Letters notifying the executive director of an intended audit conducted under the Texas Environmental, Health, and Safety Audit Privilege Act, 74th Legislature, 1995 <i>(number of audits for which notices were submitted)</i>	0	0%
	Disclosures of violations under the Texas Environmental, Health, and Safety Audit Privilege Act, 74th Legislature, 1995 <i>(number of audits for which violations were disclosed)</i>	0	0%
<i>Please Enter Yes or No</i>			
Other	Environmental management systems in place for one year or more	No	0%
	Voluntary on-site compliance assessments conducted by the executive director under a special assistance program	No	0%
	Participation in a voluntary pollution reduction program	No	0%
	Early compliance with, or offer of a product that meets future state or federal government environmental requirements	No	0%

Adjustment Percentage (Subtotal 2) 0%

>> **Repeat Violator (Subtotal 3)**

N/A

Adjustment Percentage (Subtotal 3) 0%

>> **Compliance History Person Classification (Subtotal 7)**

N/A

Adjustment Percentage (Subtotal 7) 0%

>> **Compliance History Summary**

Compliance History Notes

No adjustment is recommended due to compliance history.

Total Adjustment Percentage (Subtotals 2, 3, & 7) 0%

Screening Date 29-Jul-2009	Docket No. 2009-1324-EAQ-E	PCW		
Respondent La Fontana Springs LLC		<small>Policy Revision 2 (September 2002)</small>		
Case ID No. 38135		<small>PCW Revision October 30, 2009</small>		
Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN105699060				
Media [Statute] Edwards Aquifer				
Enf. Coordinator Carlie Konkol				
Violation Number <input type="text" value="1"/>				
Rule Cite(s)	30 Tex. Admin. Code § 213.4(a)(1)			
Violation Description	Failed to obtain approval of a Water Pollution Abatement Plan ("WPAP") prior to beginning a regulated activity over the Edwards Aquifer Recharge Zone. Specifically, the Respondent installed an on-site sewage facility without obtaining a WPAP.			
	Base Penalty	<input type="text" value="\$10,000"/>		
>> Environmental, Property and Human Health Matrix				
OR	Harm			
	Release	Major	Moderate	Minor
	Actual	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	Potential	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
		Percent	<input type="text" value="0%"/>	
>> Programmatic Matrix				
	Falsification	Major	Moderate	Minor
	<input type="text"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
		Percent	<input type="text" value="10%"/>	
Matrix Notes	100% of the rule requirement was not met.			
		Adjustment	<input type="text" value="\$9,000"/>	
			<input type="text" value="\$1,000"/>	
Violation Events				
	Number of Violation Events	<input type="text" value="13"/>	<input type="text" value="91"/>	Number of violation days
<small>mark only one with an x</small>	daily	<input type="text"/>		
	weekly	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
	monthly	<input type="text"/>		
	quarterly	<input type="text"/>		
	semiannual	<input type="text"/>		
	annual	<input type="text"/>		
	single event	<input type="text"/>		
		Violation Base Penalty	<input type="text" value="\$13,000"/>	
	Thirteen weekly events are recommended calculated from the April 29, 2009 investigation date to the July 29, 2009 screening date.			
Good Faith Efforts to Comply				
	<input type="text" value="0.0%"/>	Reduction	<input type="text" value="\$0"/>	
	Before NOV	NOV to EDCRP/Settlement Offer		
Extraordinary	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
Ordinary	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	(mark with x)		
Notes	The Respondent does not meet the good faith criteria for this violation.			
		Violation Subtotal	<input type="text" value="\$13,000"/>	
Economic Benefit (EB) for this violation			Statutory Limit Test	
	Estimated EB Amount	<input type="text" value="\$114"/>	Violation Final Penalty Total	<input type="text" value="\$13,000"/>
			This violation Final Assessed Penalty (adjusted for limits)	<input type="text" value="\$13,000"/>

Economic Benefit Worksheet

Respondent La Fontana Springs LLC
Case ID No. 38135
Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN105699060
Media Edwards Aquifer
Violation No. 1

Percent Interest	Years of Depreciation
5.0	15

	Item Cost	Date Required	Final Date	Yrs	Interest Saved	Onetime Costs	EB Amount
Item Description	No commas or \$						

Delayed Costs

Equipment				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Buildings				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Engineering/construction				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Land				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Record Keeping System				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Training/Sampling				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Remediation/Disposal				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Permit Costs	\$3,000	29-Apr-2009	31-Jan-2010	0.76	\$114	n/a	\$114
Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0

Notes for DELAYED costs

The estimated cost to prepare, submit the application, and obtain approval of an Edwards Aquifer WPAP. Date required is the date the violation was documented and the Final Date is the expected date of compliance.

Avoided Costs

ANNUALIZE [1] avoided costs before entering item (except for one-time avoided costs)

Disposal				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Personnel				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Inspection/Reporting/Sampling				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Supplies/equipment				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Financial Assurance [2]				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
ONE-TIME avoided costs [3]				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0

Notes for AVOIDED costs

Approx. Cost of Compliance

\$3,000

TOTAL

\$114

Compliance History Report

Customer/Respondent/Owner-Operator: CN603455536 LA FONTANA SPRINGS LLC Classification: Rating:
Regulated Entity: RN105699060 LA FONTANA SPRINGS EVENT Classification: Site Rating:
CENTER

ID Number(s): EDWARDS AQUIFER REGISTRATION 13-08120501

Location: 27618 NATURAL BRIDGE CAVERNS RD, GARDEN RIDGE, TX, 78266
TCEQ Region: REGION 13 - SAN ANTONIO

Date Compliance History Prepared: July 21, 2009
Agency Decision Requiring Compliance History: Enforcement
Compliance Period: July 21, 2004 to July 21, 2009

TCEQ Staff Member to Contact for Additional Information Regarding this Compliance History
Name: Carlie Konkol Phone: (361) 825-3422

Site Compliance History Components

1. Has the site been in existence and/or operation for the full five year compliance period? Yes
2. Has there been a (known) change in ownership of the site during the compliance period? No
3. If Yes, who is the current owner? N/A
4. If Yes, who was/were the prior owner(s)? N/A
5. When did the change(s) in ownership occur? N/A
6. Rating Date: 9/1/2008 Repeat Violator: NO

Components (Multimedia) for the Site :

- A. Final Enforcement Orders, court judgements, and consent decrees of the state of Texas and the federal government.
N/A
- B. Any criminal convictions of the state of Texas and the federal government.
N/A
- C. Chronic excessive emissions events.
N/A
- D. The approval dates of investigations. (CCEDS Inv. Track. No.)
N/A
- E. Written notices of violations (NOV). (CCEDS Inv. Track. No.)
N/A
- F. Environmental audits.
N/A
- G. Type of environmental management systems (EMSs).
N/A
- H. Voluntary on-site compliance assessment dates.
N/A
- I. Participation in a voluntary pollution reduction program.
N/A
- J. Early compliance.
N/A

Sites Outside of Texas

N/A

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



IN THE MATTER OF AN
ENFORCEMENT ACTION
CONCERNING
LA FONTANA SPRINGS LLC
RN105699060

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BEFORE THE
TEXAS COMMISSION ON
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

AGREED ORDER
DOCKET NO. 2009-1324-EAQ-E

I. JURISDICTION AND STIPULATIONS

At its _____ agenda, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("the Commission" or "TCEQ") considered this agreement of the parties, resolving an enforcement action regarding La Fontana Springs LLC ("the Respondent") under the authority of TEX. WATER CODE chs. 7 and 26. The Executive Director of the TCEQ, through the Enforcement Division, and the Respondent appear before the Commission and together stipulate that:

1. The Respondent owns and operates an event hall at 27618 Natural Bridge Caverns Road in Garden Ridge, Comal County, Texas (the "Facility").
2. The Respondent has caused, suffered, allowed or permitted the discharge of any waste or the performance of any activity in violation of TEX. WATER CODE ch. 26 or any rule, permit, or order of the Commission.
3. The Commission and the Respondent agree that the Commission has jurisdiction to enter this Agreed Order, and that the Respondent is subject to the Commission's jurisdiction.
4. The Respondent received notice of the violations alleged in Section II ("Allegations") on or about July 20, 2009.
5. The occurrence of any violation is in dispute and the entry of this Agreed Order shall not constitute an admission by the Respondent of any violation alleged in Section II ("Allegations"), nor of any statute or rule.
6. An administrative penalty in the amount of Thirteen Thousand Dollars (\$13,000) is assessed by the Commission in settlement of the violations alleged in Section II ("Allegations"). The Respondent has paid Five Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$5,200) of the administrative penalty

and Two Thousand Six Hundred Dollars (\$2,600) is deferred contingent upon the Respondent's timely and satisfactory compliance with all the terms of this Agreed Order. The deferred amount will be waived upon full compliance with the terms of this Agreed Order. If the Respondent fails to timely and satisfactorily comply with all requirements of this Agreed Order, the Executive Director may require the Respondent to pay all or part of the deferred penalty. Five Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$5,200) shall be conditionally offset by the Respondent's completion of a Supplemental Environmental Project ("SEP").

7. Any notice and procedures, which might otherwise be authorized or required in this action, are waived in the interest of a more timely resolution of the matter.
8. The Executive Director of the TCEQ and the Respondent have agreed on a settlement of the matters alleged in this enforcement action, subject to the approval of the Commission.
9. The Executive Director may, without further notice or hearing, refer this matter to the Office of the Attorney General of the State of Texas ("OAG") for further enforcement proceedings if the Executive Director determines that the Respondent has not complied with one or more of the terms or conditions in this Agreed Order.
10. This Agreed Order shall terminate five years from its effective date or upon compliance with all the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreed Order, whichever is later.
11. The provisions of this Agreed Order are deemed severable and, if a court of competent jurisdiction or other appropriate authority deems any provision of this Agreed Order unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall be valid and enforceable.

II. ALLEGATIONS

As owner and operator of the Facility, the Respondent is alleged to have failed to obtain approval of a Water Pollution Abatement Plan ("WPAP") prior to beginning a regulated activity over the Edwards Aquifer Recharge Zone, in violation of 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 213.4(a)(1), as documented during an investigation conducted on April 29, 2009. Specifically, the Respondent installed an on-site sewage facility without obtaining a WPAP.

III. DENIALS

The Respondent generally denies each allegation in Section II ("Allegations").

IV. ORDERING PROVISIONS

1. It is, therefore, ordered by the TCEQ that the Respondent pay an administrative penalty as set forth in Section I, Paragraph 6 above. The payment of this administrative penalty and the Respondent's compliance with all the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreed Order resolve only the allegations in Section II. The Commission shall not be constrained in any manner from requiring corrective action or penalties for violations which are not raised here. Administrative penalty payments shall be made payable to "TCEQ" and shall be sent with the notation "Re: La Fontana Springs LLC, Docket No. 2009-1324-EAQ-E" to:

Financial Administration Division, Revenues Section
Attention: Cashier's Office, MC 214
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
P.O. Box 13088
Austin, Texas 78711-3088

2. The Respondent shall implement and complete a SEP in accordance with TEX. WATER CODE § 7.067. As set forth in Section I, Paragraph 6 above, Five Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$5,200) of the assessed administrative penalty shall be offset with the condition that the Respondent implement the SEP defined in Attachment A, incorporated herein by reference. The Respondent's obligation to pay the conditionally offset portion of the administrative penalty assessed shall be discharged upon final completion of all provisions of the SEP agreement.
3. It is further ordered that the Respondent shall undertake the following technical requirements:
 - a. Within 30 days after the effective date of this Agreed Order, submit an administratively complete application for approval of a WPAP and associated application fee in accordance with 30 TEX. ADMIN CODE § 213.4(a)(1) to:

Edwards Aquifer Protection Program
San Antonio Regional Office
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
14250 Judson Road
San Antonio, Texas 78233-4480

- b. Respond completely and adequately to all TCEQ requests for additional information within 30 days of such requests, or by any other deadline specified in writing; and
- c. Within 45 days after the effective date of this Agreed Order, submit written certification as described below, and include detailed supporting documentation including photographs, receipts, and/or other records to demonstrate compliance with Ordering Provision No. 3.a. The certification shall be notarized by a State of Texas Notary Public and include the following certification language:

"I certify under penalty of law that I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted and all attached documents, and that based on my inquiry of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information, I believe that the submitted information is true, accurate and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fines and imprisonment for knowing violations."

The certification shall be submitted to:

Order Compliance Team
Enforcement Division, MC 149A
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
P.O. Box 13087
Austin, Texas 78711-3087

with a copy to:

Water Section, Manager
San Antonio Regional Office
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
14250 Judson Road
San Antonio, Texas 78233-4480

4. The provisions of this Agreed Order shall apply to and be binding upon the Respondent. The Respondent is ordered to give notice of the Agreed Order to personnel who maintain day-to-day control over the Facility operations referenced in this Agreed Order.
5. If the Respondent fails to comply with any of the Ordering Provisions in this Agreed Order within the prescribed schedules, and that failure is caused solely by an act of God, war, strike, riot, or other catastrophe, the Respondent's failure to comply is not a violation of this Agreed Order. The Respondent shall have the burden of establishing to the Executive Director's satisfaction that such an event has occurred. The Respondent shall notify the Executive Director within seven days after the Respondent becomes aware of a delaying event and shall take all reasonable measures to mitigate and minimize any delay.
6. The Executive Director may grant an extension of any deadline in this Agreed Order or in any plan, report, or other document submitted pursuant to this Agreed Order, upon a written and substantiated showing of good cause. All requests for extensions by the Respondent shall be made in writing to the Executive Director. Extensions are not effective until the Respondent receives written approval from the Executive Director. The determination of what constitutes good cause rests solely with the Executive Director.
7. This Agreed Order, issued by the Commission, shall not be admissible against the Respondent in a civil proceeding, unless the proceeding is brought by the OAG to: (1) enforce the terms of this Agreed Order; or (2) pursue violations of a statute within the Commission's jurisdiction, or of a rule adopted or an order or permit issued by the Commission under such a statute.
8. This Agreed Order may be executed in multiple counterparts, which together shall constitute a single original instrument. Any executed signature page to this Agreed Order may be transmitted by facsimile transmission to the other parties, which shall constitute an original signature for all purposes under this Agreed Order.
9. Under 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 70.10(b), the effective date is the date of hand-delivery of the Order to the Respondent, or three days after the date on which the Commission mails notice of the Order to the Respondent, whichever is earlier. The Chief Clerk shall provide a copy of this Agreed Order to each of the parties.

SIGNATURE PAGE

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

For the Commission

John Szallan
For the Executive Director

11/13/2009
Date

I, the undersigned, have read and understand the attached Agreed Order. I am authorized to agree to the attached Agreed Order on behalf of the entity indicated below my signature, and I do agree to the terms and conditions specified therein. I further acknowledge that the TCEQ, in accepting payment for the penalty amount, is materially relying on such representation.

I also understand that failure to comply with the Ordering Provisions, if any, in this order and/or failure to timely pay the penalty amount, may result in:

- A negative impact on compliance history;
- Greater scrutiny of any permit applications submitted;
- Referral of this case to the Attorney General's Office for contempt, injunctive relief, additional penalties, and/or attorney fees, or to a collection agency;
- Increased penalties in any future enforcement actions;
- Automatic referral to the Attorney General's Office of any future enforcement actions; and
- TCEQ seeking other relief as authorized by law.

In addition, any falsification of any compliance documents may result in criminal prosecution.

Cesar Trivino
Signature

12 Oct 2009
Date

Cesar Trivino
Name (Printed or typed)
Authorized Representative of
La Fontana Springs LLC

President
Title

Instructions: Send the original, signed Agreed Order with penalty payment to the Financial Administration Division, Revenues Section at the address in Section IV, Paragraph 1 of this Agreed Order.

Attachment A
Docket Number: 2009-1324-EAQ-E

SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECT

Respondent: La Fontana Springs LLC

Payable Penalty Amount: Ten Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$10,400)

SEP Amount: Five Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$5,200)

Type of SEP: Pre-approved

Third-Party Recipient: Texas Association of Resource Conservation and Development Areas, Inc. ("RC&D") - Abandoned Tire Clean-Up

Location of SEP: Comal County

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("TCEQ") agrees to offset a portion of the administrative Penalty Amount assessed in this Agreed Order for the Respondent to contribute to a Supplemental Environmental Project ("SEP"). The offset is equal to the SEP Amount set forth above and is conditioned upon completion of the project in accordance with the terms of this Attachment A.

1. Project Description

A. Project

The Respondent shall contribute to the Third-Party Recipient pursuant to the agreement between the Third-Party Recipient and the TCEQ. Specifically, the contribution will be used to clean up sites where tires have been illegally disposed. Eligible sites will be limited to those where a responsible party cannot be found and reasonable efforts have been made to prevent dumping. SEP monies will be used to pay for the direct cost of tire collection and disposal. All dollars contributed will be used solely for the direct cost of the project and no portion will be spent on administrative costs. The SEP will be completed in accordance with all federal, state and local environmental laws and regulations.

The Respondent certifies that there is no prior commitment to do this project and that it is being performed solely in an effort to settle this enforcement action.

B. Environmental Benefit

This SEP will provide a discernible environmental benefit by providing for the proper disposal of tires and by reducing health threats associated with illegally dumped tires. Illegal tire dumpsites can become breeding grounds for disease-carrying mosquitoes and rodents. The potential for tire fires is also reduced by removing illegally dumped tires. Tire fires can result in the contamination of surface water, ground water and soil.

C. Minimum Expenditure

The Respondent shall contribute at least the SEP Amount to the Third-Party Recipient and comply with all other provisions of this SEP.

2. Performance Schedule

Within 30 days after the effective date of this Agreed Order, the Respondent must contribute the SEP Amount to the Third-Party Recipient. The Respondent shall mail the contribution, with a copy of the Agreed Order, to:

Texas Association of Resource Conservation and Development Areas, Inc.
1716 Briarcrest Drive, Suite 510
Bryan, Texas 77802-2700

3. Records and Reporting

Concurrent with the payment of the SEP Amount, the Respondent shall provide the TCEQ SEP Coordinator with a copy of the check and transmittal letter indicating full payment of the SEP Amount to the Third-Party Recipient. The Respondent shall mail a copy of the check and transmittal letter to:

Enforcement Division
Attention: SEP Coordinator, MC 219
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
P.O. Box 13087
Austin, Texas 78711-3087

4. Failure to Fully Perform

If the Respondent does not perform its obligations under this SEP in any way, including full payment of the SEP Amount and submittal of the required reporting described in Section 3 above, the Executive Director may require immediate payment of all or part of the SEP Amount.

The check for any amount due shall be made out to "Texas Commission on Environmental Quality" and mailed to:

Litigation Division
Attention: SEP Coordinator, MC 175
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
P.O. Box 13088
Austin, Texas 78711-3088

The Respondent shall also mail a copy of the check to the TCEQ SEP Coordinator at the address in Section 3 above.

5. Publicity

Any public statements concerning this SEP made by or on behalf of the Respondent must include a clear statement that the project was performed as part of the settlement of an enforcement action brought by the TCEQ. Such statements include advertising, public relations, and press releases.

6. Clean Texas Program

The Respondent shall not include this SEP in any application made to TCEQ under the "Clean Texas" (or any successor) program(s). Similarly, the Respondent may not seek recognition for this contribution in any other state or federal regulatory program.

7. Other SEPs by TCEQ or Other Agencies

The SEP identified in this Agreed Order has not been, and shall not be, included as an SEP for the Respondent under any other Agreed Order negotiated with the TCEQ or any other agency of the state or federal government.

