

Boy Scouts

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RD: Therese Baer was one of the parents. She was volunteering out here for one of the merit badges workshops in about October, and she started asking some pointed questions and all at once we found out we needed to be in compliance with TCEQ because we're a public water system. So now we're trying to work with the process to get permitted with TCEQ. And it doesn't sound like the process is going to be too onerous, but there're a few things that we need to do to fix the system that we've got and get it into compliance. But it doesn't sound like it's going to be too bad at all.

TB: When I asked about permitting through TCEQ, he was unaware that a permit was required. We struck up a conversation and got them enrolled in the TCEQ environmental program to get them to get them permitted and in compliance. We've talked with them at length about the information they have readily available for us to review and use in the permit application process. There's not a lot of information available. We do have well record. But there are no existing plans, engineered drawings, for the system. So we will help them develop as-built drawings. Help them obtain the training that they need to operate the system, and help them find contractors to make any physical changes to the system that might be required to be compliant with the rules, such as security and well completion. That sort of thing.

RD: Well currently we use the property for Cub Scout day camps in the summer. That's little fellas about 7 to 10 years of age. And they'll come out for the week and enjoy, you name it. All kinds of things. Archery, BB guns, rockets, nature, swimming, fishing. Anything that we can dream up with our volunteer staff out here. We would like to put in a fort with a BB gun range and then an Indian village with an archery range. We'd like to do some chuck wagon cooking and take advantage of the old west theme or the cowboys and things like that to really take advantage of the facility out here.