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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Protecting Texas by Reducing and Preventing Pollution

August 1, 2018

Ms. Jamie Smith Jackson
3600 21st Street, #303
San Francisco, CA 94114

Re: Response to Priority Call by Ms. Jamie Smith Jackson in the San Saba Watershed of the Colorado River Basin

Dear Ms. Jackson:

On July 26, 2018, you submitted a priority call based on your superior domestic and livestock use to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) San Angelo Regional Office. San Angelo Region staff conducted investigations of your priority call on July 27, 2018. Based on those investigations and as discussed below, sufficient water was observed as available for beneficial use at your location. Therefore, suspension of diversion or impoundment of state surface water by junior water rights is not appropriate at this time.

TCEQ field investigations were conducted at your location, at two sites located upstream your property, and at one site located downstream of your property in the San Saba River watershed. Flow measurements and photographs were taken at the time of the investigation. Very low flow or no flow was observed in the locations investigated in the areas upstream and downstream of your property. Additionally, small and large pools of water were observed in the San Saba River. At your property, pools were present at the upstream boundary and in the middle portion of your property. Pools were also present at the downstream boundary of your property.

Currently, this area of the state is experiencing severe drought conditions. Consequently, the TCEQ's San Angelo Regional Office has been conducting routine monitoring in the San Saba River Basin. The TCEQ will continue monitoring for as long as these conditions persist.

If the river condition changes on your property and you believe a new priority call is warranted, please contact Mr. Christopher Mayben at TCEQ's San Angelo Regional Office via email at Christopher.Mayben@tceq.texas.gov or by phone at (325) 655-9479. Contacting Mr. Mayben to discuss the river conditions and to coordinate arrangements for access will greatly assist the Regional Office in investigating your priority call.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Stephanie Bergeron Perdue".

Stephanie Bergeron Perdue
Interim Executive Director