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Sent:

Thursday, December 8, 2022 1:22 PM

To:

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Subject:

FW: Public comment on Permit Number WQ0016052001

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To: PUBCOMMENT-OCC <PUBCOMMENT-OCC@tceq.texas.gov> **Subject:** Public comment on Permit Number WQ0016052001

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PERMIT NUMBER: WQ0016052001

DOCKET NUMBER:

COUNTY: COMAL

PRINCIPAL NAME: CIELENCKI, MARY JANE, SJWTX INC

CN NUMBER: CN605941608, CN602969396

FROM

NAME: MRS Rita Acker

EMAIL: ritaann@gvtc.com

COMPANY:

ADDRESS: 12133 US HIGHWAY 281 N SPRING BRANCH TX 78070-6307

PHONE: 8306607929

FAX:

COMMENTS: I would like to comment that I am the daughter of Annette Gass, one if not the only affected party of this waste water plant. I also live on the family ranch. I am concerned for the health of my family as well as the cattle that

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Subject:

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FROM

NAME: Becky P Atkinson

EMAIL: batkinson@gvtc.com

COMPANY:

ADDRESS: PO BOX 782

SPRING BRANCH TX 78070-0782

PHONE: 2102738786

FAX:

COMMENTS: Becky P Atkinson and Sidney W. Atkinson request a contested case hearing. We are members of the Neighbors of Spring Branch and one of our members is Annette Gass (12471 US Hwy 281 N, Spring Branch, Texas 78070) who is deemed an affected party. Annete's land (agriculture and cattle) will bel be affected by the runoff from the

wastewater treatment plant. Robert Butler will be received Oak Drive, Spring Branch Texas 210-885-7230.	ing all communications and documents for this group,	381 Bent

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SJWTX, Inc. and Mary Jane Cielencki Proposed TPDES Permit No. WQ0016052001

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Physical Address (if different):
City/State: Spring Branch TX Zip: 28070
This information is subject to public disclosure under the Texas Public Information Act
Email:
Phone Number: ()
• Are you here today representing a municipality, legislator, agency, or group?
If yes, which one? Mighburs of Spring Brunch
Please add me to the mailing list.
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I have multiple concerns about the proposed housing project on 281 but will limit my comments to two points referring to the wastewater treatment plant.

1. Jumbo Evans Sports Park - home to multiple soccer/football/baseball fields sees hundreds if not thousands of children and adults at its facility. Located in a flood plain, it is also the proposed site for the discharge of the effluent from the plant as it winds its way through farm land and neighborhoods, making its way to Cypress Creek and the Guadalupe River, another popular recreational feature for the Hill Country. Effluent has been shown to have multiple examples of pharmaceuticals, hormones, fungi, bacteria and viruses. It has been suggested the effluent from this plant be used to irrigate Jumbo Evans Sports Park. Parents should have concerns over this. Children, by their very nature and in the act of play, sustain, cuts, scrapes, drop food on the ground to pick up and eat, roll around and tussle in the dirt - all in the name of fun. The fun should not include the danger of wastewater contaminating their field and compromising their health.

According to the EPA, "These pharmaceuticals tend to make their way into our waters primarily through excretion of active drugs directly from patients and subsequent incomplete removal of those pharmaceuticals from our waste water during waste water treatment. This analysis includes data from our recent study of pharmaceutical concentration in effluent samples from 50 very large municipal wastewater plants located across the United States (July 2022).

Recently New York has been dealing with polio in wastewater and infections, Covid has been found in Houston wastewater. This proposed development, if granted, is projecting 718 homes with the green light for 1010 each home on 4,000 sq. ft. lots. Thats very concentrated and with a proposed Class C operator (D being the most basic of education and experience required) in charge.

Questions

If SJWTX is found to be non compliant, what are the steps taken to rectify

What are future plans for more sophisticated testing?

If water samples show contamination and health risks are residents (aside from those in the housing development) in the community notified?

If there is limited testing, are we waiting for an "event" that signals we have a problem?

What will be your response to those not in the housing development that have concerns over safety?

Why not a Class A operator?

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Another concern is that of testing, reporting and transparency. We have been told that SJWTX (owner and operator of the facility) will be testing the water, reporting said results to TCEQ, who follows the laws set in Austin by money, lobbists and politicians, things not always in the best interest of citizens.

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How frequently is the effluent tested?

What is tested and are current testing procedures sophiscated for the microscopic levels of contaminants in the water? Research suggests not in current wastewater plants. Contaminants not showing up in traditional methods, even in small amounts, have impacts on health, aquatic and plant life. Why do we pot measurement for the equality tested for human health.

What does TCEQ do in insuring there is compliance since this system seems to rely on self reporting?

If SIWTX is found to be non compliant, what are the steps taken to rectify?

This seems to me a rather closed system - the fox guarding the hen house so to speak. The safety and integrity of the water relies on self reporting with no oversite by an independent agency. We would like to see an independent entity (not selected by SJWTX or TCEQ) to test the water as well, sending results not only to TCEQ but the concerned citizens of this community.

Lori Rowe

From:

PUBCOMMENT-OCC

Sent:

Monday, January 24, 2022 8:17 AM

To:

PUBCOMMENT-OCC2; PUBCOMMENT-OPIC; PUBCOMMENT-ELD; PUBCOMMENT-WQ

Subject:

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From: batkinson@gvtc.com <batkinson@gvtc.com>

Sent: Saturday, January 22, 2022 10:51 AM

To: PUBCOMMENT-OCC < PUBCOMMENT-OCC@tceq.texas.gov > **Subject:** Public comment on Permit Number WQ0016052001

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FROM

NAME: Becky Atkinson

E-MAIL: batkinson@gvtc.com

COMPANY:

ADDRESS: PO BOX 782

SPRING BRANCH TX 78070-0782

PHONE: 2102738786

FAX:

COMMENTS: I oppose this permit application due to the impact of the discharge of effluents into Cypress Creek. I wish to be notified of any and all public meetings related to this permit and reserve the right to a contested case hearing.

Lori Rowe

From:

PUBCOMMENT-OCC

Sent:

Tuesday, February 22, 2022 8:51 AM

To:

PUBCOMMENT-OCC2; PUBCOMMENT-OPIC; PUBCOMMENT-ELD; PUBCOMMENT-WQ

Subject:

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From: Hunnybabe1285@aol.com < Hunnybabe1285@aol.com >

Sent: Sunday, February 20, 2022 7:43 AM

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FROM

NAME: J B

E-MAIL: Hunnybabe1285@aol.com

COMPANY:

ADDRESS: 957 GOLF COURSE DR E SPRING BRANCH TX 78070-4429

PHONE: 2108520663

FAX:

COMMENTS: Request a public hearing on this proposed development.



TCEQ Registration Form August 11, 2022

SJWTX, Inc. and Mary Jane Cielencki Proposed TPDES Permit No. WQ0016052001

PLEASE PRINT
Name: MARLIN K BROWN
Mailing Address: 31567 HIGH RIDGE DAVE BULVERPUZ 72
Physical Address (if different):
City/State: BULVENDE TX Zip: 78163
This information is subject to public disclosure under the Texas Public Information Act Email: buckeroup a yahoo, com
Phone Number: (805) 878-8986
Are you here today representing a municipality, legislator, agency, or group? □ Yes □ No If yes, which one?
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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

RE: WATER QUALITY PARMIT # WQ 001605 2001

LADIES & GENTLEMEN;

THIS IS TO REQUEST AND REQUIRE THAT PRIOR TO GRANTING A FINAL PROMIT (SEE CAPTIONSED REFERENCE) THAT TCEQ MAKE IAN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STUDY (EIS) A PRESERVED VISITE FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF SAID PROMIT, 100,000 PROPUR DOUNK FROM CANYON LAKE, WE NEED A COMPREHENSIVE LOOK AT THE ISSUES; ESPECIALLY CONTAMINANTS LIKE DISEASE, THIS IS ALSO TO REQUEST AND PROPURE THAT THE CAPTIONED APPLICATION BE A CONTRESTED CASE.

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MARLIN K BROWN 31567 HIGH RIDGE DRIVE BULVERDE, TX 78163

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Sent:

Friday, June 3, 2022 8:38 AM

To:

PUBCOMMENT-WQ; PUBCOMMENT-ELD; PUBCOMMENT-OCC2; PUBCOMMENT-OPIC

Subject:

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FROM

NAME: Robert Butler

EMAIL: butler@gvtc.com

COMPANY:

ADDRESS: 381 BENT OAK DR SPRING BRANCH TX 78070-6313

PHONE: 2108857230

FAX:

COMMENTS: I am requesting a public hearing on the proposed sewer treatment plant that will create a negative impact on our community. The water discharged from the plant may allegedly be E-coli safe, but it will contain chemicals, medicine, and infectious diseases that are harmful to humans, animals, and the environment. The proposed creek that will be used for discharge to the Guadalupe River runs through private property and the Jumbo Evans Sports Park where children compete in various sporting events. Also, under the Texas open records act, I am requesting any information on

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Friday, January 21, 2022 9:05 AM

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TCEQ Registration Form August 11, 2022

SJWTX, Inc. and Mary Jane Cielencki Proposed TPDES Permit No. WQ0016052001

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Name: Robert Buth
Mailing Address: 38/ Bent Oak Dr.
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Physical Address (if different):	848
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Email: dor_Haylor @ yahoo.com **E-mail addresses are subject to public disclosure under the Texas Public Information	ion Act**
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Ruth a Tony Taylor 520 Craig Lin Spring Branch TX 78070

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Has a study been done as to the amount of water to be taken from the Trinity aquater and how fast the levels would drop?

this an environmental stredy been done as to treated sewage being dumped into the waterways that feed Canyon Lake, which would affect the vast tourism of the Gwalalupe river and Canyon Lake,

Has an Environmental Study been done to determine the affect to the Trinity aqueter which we all get our drinking water from.

Debbie Zachary

From:

PUBCOMMENT-OCC

Sent:

Friday, June 10, 2022 8:50 AM

To:

PUBCOMMENT-WQ; PUBCOMMENT-ELD; PUBCOMMENT-OCC2; PUBCOMMENT-OPIC

Subject:

FW: Public comment on Permit Number WQ0016052001

From: tony.taylor5562@yahoo.com <tony.taylor5562@yahoo.com>

Sent: Friday, June 10, 2022 8:45 AM

To: PUBCOMMENT-OCC < PUBCOMMENT-OCC@tceq.texas.gov > **Subject:** Public comment on Permit Number WQ0016052001

REGULATED ENTY NAME SIMMONS VALLEY WWTF

RN NUMBER: RN111349809

PERMIT NUMBER: WQ0016052001

DOCKET NUMBER:

COUNTY: COMAL

PRINCIPAL NAME: CIELENCKI, MARY JANE, SJWTX INC

CN NUMBER: CN605941608, CN602969396

FROM

NAME: Tony Wade Taylor

EMAIL: tony.taylor5562@yahoo.com

COMPANY:

ADDRESS: 520 CRAIG LN

SPRING BRANCH TX 78070-6314

PHONE: 8305600986

FAX:

COMMENTS: Placing a water treatment plant that drops unsafe gray water into a creek that drains into the Guadalupe river above canyon lake which then feeds river road, is risking contamination of a MASSIVE tourist draw to our area as well as possible health issues for our wonderful lake and rivers. It's insane that an organization tasked with protecting our great Hill Country would allow dangerous contamination of our natural resources like our rivers and lakes as well as the aguifers below us. STOP THIS MADNESS!

Debbie Zachary

From:

PUBCOMMENT-OCC

Sent:

Monday, August 15, 2022 8:53 AM

To:

PUBCOMMENT-OCC2; PUBCOMMENT-OPIC; PUBCOMMENT-ELD; PUBCOMMENT-WQ

Subject:

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From: emcardenastx@gmail.com <emcardenastx@gmail.com>

Sent: Saturday, August 13, 2022 10:11 AM

To: PUBCOMMENT-OCC <PUBCOMMENT-OCC@tceq.texas.gov> **Subject:** Public comment on Permit Number WQ0016052001

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COUNTY: COMAL

PRINCIPAL NAME: CIELENCKI, MARY JANE, SJWTX INC

CN NUMBER: CN605941608, CN602969396

FROM

NAME: MR Eric Cardenas

EMAIL: emcardenastx@gmail.com

COMPANY:

ADDRESS: 5034 KENILWORTH BLVD SPRING BRANCH TX 78070-7237

PHONE: 2106063194

FAX:

COMMENTS: I am requesting a contested hearing on the waste treatment plant located at Rebecca Creek Road and Highway 281. The TCEQ has not given enough consideration of the fact that the plant will be located in the Edwards Aquifer Recharge Zone (as best I can tell since they did not give us a map at the meeting last night just one on a screen that I could not see from the back of the room). Despite that, the plant waste will pass through the recharge zone at some point. Because of the sensitive nature of the placement of the plant, a better study than Tier 1 should be done. An

environmental impact study should be the first item on the list. TCEQ's mission statement and philosophy state: Mission Statement The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality strives to protect our state's public health and natural resources consistent with sustainable economic development. Our goal is clean air, clean water, and the safe management of waste. Agency Philosophy To accomplish our mission, we will: base decisions on the law, common sense, sound science, and fiscal responsibility; ensure that regulations are necessary, effective, and current; apply regulations clearly and consistently; ensure consistent, just, and timely enforcement when environmental laws are violated; ensure meaningful public participation in the decision-making process; promote and foster voluntary compliance with environmental laws and provide flexibility in achieving environmental goals; and hire, develop, and retain a high-quality, diverse workforce. In order to fulfill your mission statement, it is noted that that many of the people at the meeting last night did not feel that their needs were being listened to or that the agency even cared enough about them to give them simple things like a map of the area with the creeks and rivers where the effluence is going were noted. In fact, the presenter brushed off the questions about the map with the comment, "I am not from here." It seems that if someone is presenting something that would affect so many lives, the least he could have done was found out where this project would be placed. The presenter also went through the contested hearing information so fast that those with no experience with TCEQ did not realize what a contested hearing was until one of the commenters told them. He certainly did not say to submit online. He left the impression that they would have to mail their comments to Austin. Given all of the above issues, a hearing is necessary to address issues that were not addressed at the public meeting last night.



TCEQ Public Meeting Form

PLEASE PRINT
Name: Linda + Mike Clark
Mailing Address: PO Box 8, Spring Branch, 78070
Physical Address (if different): 8195 US 17,04 Z81 N
City/State: Spring Brook Zip: 78070
Email: LDC7782C yahoo.com
E-mail addresses are subject to public disclosure under the Texas Public Information Act
Phone Number: (210) 3 73 - 4606
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TCEQ:

We respectfully request a contested case hearing on Permit WOOD 1605 ZOOI.

Thonk you kindly,
Linda + Mike Clark
and
Chris + Michelle Phelps

8195 US Idney 281 N
Spring Brench, TX 78070

830-885-4671

LDC7782@ychoo.com

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TCEQ Registration Form

August 11, 2022

SJWTX, Inc. and Mary Jane Cielencki Proposed TPDES Permit No. WQ0016052001

PLEASE PRINT
Name: Juli Coen
Name: The Coen Mailing Address: PUBIX 921
Physical Address (if different):
City/State: Sping Bruch Zip: 78070
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Phone Number: (210) 845-4695
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Juli Coen

POBX 921 Spring Brunch 7 X 78070

RE: Public Meeting for TPDES Permit for Municipal Wastewater New Permit No WQ0016052001

The application to discharge 260,000 gallons of treated sewage water per day into Cypress Creek, thus into the Guadalupe River, Canyon Lake and then into the Gulf of Mexico should be halted. A full and complete level 3 Environmental Impact Statement per NEPA needs to be completed. Your preliminary review determining "no water bodies with exceptional, high, or intermediate aquatic life uses are present in the stream reach" is an abject failure. Thousands of species of wildlife, birds, fish and plants are at great risk as are hundreds of thousands of Texans lives along the hundreds of miles of ecosystem that will be impacted by this event.

There are three problems with this situation:

- 1. There needs to be a full Environmental Impact Statement done with full disclosure of all research to each and every citizen who is impacted from Comal County to the Gulf of Mexico
- 2. Comal County does not currently have sufficient water to support its current population. There should be ZERO new building especially in the area of Canyon Lake south and west to the county line. Families have dry wells or wells pumping 15 seconds every 30 minutes. Our aquifers are depleted with too many people and businesses drawing down the water. Families cannot even grow a garden for survival. In July of 2022, 1,000 gallons of water cost \$100 per delivery. In August of 2022, it is \$200 per 1,000 gallons; just so families can survive.

Canyon Lake Water has no business claiming they can provide water to 718 new Lennar Homes or 35 acres of commercial business. Existing families are not even allowed to use outside water. Stage 2 allows them outside water twice a month. This will keep NOTHING alive. Many subdivisions require new owners to install landscaping, sod and sprinkler system at thousands of dollars in costs and yet as soon as the homeowner moves in, Canyon Lake Water prohibits them from watering anything. The developer has made his money, no longer his problem.

With continuous growth in this area, will Canyon Lake Water limit each household to inside water once every 3 days? Once a week? Where does it stop? We need to consider EXISTING residents first and foremost.

3. We need to get a handle on our water supply BEFORE we allow any more growth and that includes dumping 260,000 gallons of effluent down a seasonal creek bed into a river, into a lake and on to the Gulf of Mexico. We need to RECOVER that water, not send it downstream. I don't want to drink pharmaceuticals and I don't want them in my aquifer but we HAVE to be smart about this and someone should know how to keep the water locally, clean it, filter it properly, tested continuously for safety and KEEP it to help recover our aquifer levels.

Please put me on your mailing list. Please send me a copy of the application that was made and the research that was done to determine a Tier 1 degradation review is all that was necessary for this catastrophic event.

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality



NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING FOR TPDES PERMIT FOR MUNICIPAL WASTEWATER NEW PERMIT NO. WQoo16052001

APPLICATION. SJWTX, Inc. and Mary Jane Cielencki, P.O. Box 1742, Canyon Lake, Texas 78133, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for new Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES) Permit No. WQ0016052001, to authorize the discharge of treated domestic wastewater at a daily average flow not to exceed 260,000 gallons per day.

The facility will be located approximately 0.25 miles northwest of the intersection of Rebecca Creek Road and U.S. Highway 281 North, in Comal County, Texas 78070. The treated effluent will be discharged via pipe to Cypress Creek, thence to the Guadalupe River Above Canyon Lake in Segment No. 1806 of the Guadalupe River Basin. The unclassified receiving water use is limited aquatic life use for Cypress Creek. The designated uses for Segment No. 1806 are primary contact recreation, public water supply, aquifer protection, and exceptional aquatic life use. In accordance with 30 Texas Administrative Code §307.5 and the TCEO implementation procedures (June 2010) for the Texas Surface Water Quality Standards, an antidegradation review of the receiving waters was performed. A Tier 1 antidegradation review has preliminarily determined that existing water quality uses will not be impaired by this permit action. Numerical and narrative criteria to protect existing uses will be maintained. This review has preliminarily determined that no water bodies with exceptional, high, or intermediate aquatic life uses are present within the stream reach assessed; therefore, no Tier 2 degradation determination is required. No significant degradation of water quality is expected in water bodies with exceptional, high, or intermediate aquatic life uses downstream, and existing uses will be maintained and protected. The preliminary determination can be reexamined and may be modified if new information is received. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and is not part of the application or notice. For the exact location, refer to the application.

https://tceq.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=db5bac44afbc468bbddd36of8168250f&marker=-98.413888%2C29.923055&level=12

The TCEQ Executive Director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit. The draft permit, if approved, would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate. The Executive Director has made a preliminary decision that this permit, if issued, meets all statutory and regulatory requirements.

PUBLIC COMMENT / PUBLIC MEETING. A public meeting will be held and will consist of two parts, an Informal Discussion Period and a Formal Comment Period. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing under the Administrative Procedure Act. During the Informal Discussion Period, the public will be encouraged to ask questions of the applicant and TCEQ staff concerning the permit application. The comments and questions submitted orally during the Informal Discussion Period will not be considered before a decision is reached on the permit application and no formal response will be made. Responses will be provided orally during the Informal Discussion Period. During the Formal Comment Period on the permit application, members of the public may state their formal comments or ally into the official record. A written response to all timely, relevant and material, or significant comments will be prepared by the Executive Director. All formal comments will be considered before a decision is reached on the permit application. A copy of the written response will be sent to each person who submits a formal comment or who requested to be on the mailing list for this permit application and provides a mailing address. Only relevant and material issues raised during the Formal Comment Period can be considered if a contested case hearing is granted on this permit application.

The Public Meeting is to be held:

Thursday, August 11, 2022, at 7:00 PM Smithson Valley Middle School Cafeteria 6101 FM 311 Spring Branch, Texas 78070

INFORMATION. Members of the public are encouraged to submit written comments anytime during the meeting or by mail before the close of the public comment period to the Office of the Chief Clerk, TCEQ, Mail Code MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087 or electronically at www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/comment. If you need more information about the permit application or the permitting process, please call the TCEQ Public Education Program, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar 1-800-687-4040. General information about the TCEQ can be found at our web site at https://www.tceq.texas.gov.

The permit application, Executive Director's preliminary decision, and draft permit are available for viewing and copying at Mammen Family Public Library, Circulation Desk, 131 Bulverde Crossing, Bulverde, Texas. Further information may also be obtained from SJWTX, Inc. and Mary Jane Cielencki at the address stated above or by calling Mr. Troy R. Hotchkis, P.E., Engineering Manager, Integrated Water Services, Inc., at 214-957-1357.

Persons with disabilities who need special accommodations at the meeting should call the Office of the Chief Clerk at (512) 239-3300 or 1-800-RELAY-TX (TDD) at least five business days prior to the meeting.

Issuance Date: June 28, 2022

Debbie Zachary

From:

PUBCOMMENT-OCC

Sent:

Wednesday, June 8, 2022 8:49 AM

To:

PUBCOMMENT-WQ; PUBCOMMENT-ELD; PUBCOMMENT-OCC2; PUBCOMMENT-OPIC

Subject:

FW: Public comment on Permit Number WQ0016052001

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From: dirk@davideklaw.com < dirk@davideklaw.com>

Sent: Tuesday, June 7, 2022 2:52 PM

To: PUBCOMMENT-OCC <PUBCOMMENT-OCC@tceq.texas.gov> **Subject:** Public comment on Permit Number WQ0016052001

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COUNTY: COMAL

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CN NUMBER: CN605941608, CN602969396

FROM

NAME: Dirk Davidek

EMAIL: dirk@davideklaw.com

COMPANY:

ADDRESS: 144 LANDA ST 851 NEW BRAUNFELS TX 78130-7998

PHONE: 2108729949

FAX:

COMMENTS: This is a huge project that will have a significant impact on water issues in Comal County. Please schedule a public hearing regarding this permit application.

Lori Rowe

From:

PUBCOMMENT-OCC

Sent:

Monday, February 28, 2022 9:37 AM

To:

PUBCOMMENT-OCC2; PUBCOMMENT-OPIC; PUBCOMMENT-ELD; PUBCOMMENT-WQ

Subject:

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From: felid2@yahoo.com <felid2@yahoo.com> Sent: Saturday, February 26, 2022 11:22 AM

To: PUBCOMMENT-OCC < PUBCOMMENT-OCC@tceq.texas.gov > Subject: Public comment on Permit Number WQ0016052001

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COUNTY: COMAL

PRINCIPAL NAME: CIELENCKI, MARY JANE, SJWTX INC

CN NUMBER: CN605941608,CN602969396

FROM

NAME: Robert Evans

E-MAIL: felid2@yahoo.com

COMPANY:

ADDRESS: 810 HIDDEN OAKS DR

BULVERDE TX 78163-3036

PHONE: 8304382955

FAX:

COMMENTS: I request a hearing on the application of Permit # WQ0016052001

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Water reuse can help to close the loop between water supply and wastewater disposal.

Our creeks and rivers are being over run by chemicals.

Though we understand that wastewater going into rivers is heavily treated, this in and of itself is problematic. The high levels of treatment kill fish and other river life, which actually increases algae. One look at our rivers and it is clear that algae is already a problem. Having them overtaken more will only decrease their usability.

It has been proposed that the wastewater be used to irrigate Jumbo Evans Park. We fully support this as we are all well aware of the problem the drought has caused. Waste water presents an effective solution for this.

A non-discharge facility is cheaper and easier to build. Thus this solution places less burden on the developer AND our rivers while also providing a way to maintain another valuable resources: parks and greenways.

Excess wastewater can then be sold and used to irrigate grass and other parks and land.

IFC estimates that the cost of producing non-potable recycled water can be as low as \$0.32 per cubic meter, and potable water \$0.45, compared with more than \$0.50 for desalination.

Given the current water situation, it is clear that we need more sustainable communities. Please lead the way. Build a community that provides its own irrigation AND supports that of the local community by giving back to local facilities, such as Jumbo Evans. Don't dump chemicals and waste to our rivers, further adding to the problems caused by quickly dissipating water. Add to the solution by making a way to conserve water and preserve what is left of our rivers

Kasi Finley
Spring Branch
CASI BOULES @ YAHOO, COM

AT PUBLIC MEETING

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Aug 11, 2022

I am submitting the tollowing written questions =

1) Where can I find the design of the proposed treatment plant? If not, why can the permit application specify a "class" for the operator license?

2) Has the design been approved by an independent civil engineer PE?

3) What is the max number of people or homes the freatment plant has been designed to accommodate?

4) When additional homer beyond the stated number in the application are bout, what is the process to revise the lizense for this treatment plant?

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Bill Wessele AT PUBLIC MEETING Spring Branch TX Spring Branch TX 78070 281-435-6072

5) The application specifies a AX Class Coperator's linense. Please provide the criteria of plant technology, complexity, and daily estiment flow for plants requiring 6/255 A, B, and C operator's

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.7) Even though you a) aim to use only 12,5% of your permitted volume, we need to assume you willyloogs Since you have permit to do so. Use

B) Why can't gow redesign the treatment plant to have O disaharge and reuse 100% P TCER should require that all subdivisions produce no discharge.

Christina Bourque

From:

PUBCOMMENT-OCC

Sent:

Thursday, December 8, 2022 1:23 PM

To:

PUBCOMMENT-OCC2; PUBCOMMENT-OPIC; PUBCOMMENT-ELD; PUBCOMMENT-WQ

Subject:

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Attachments:

Anette Gass-TCEQ Request a Contested Hearing.docx

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From: ritaann@gvtc.com <ritaann@gvtc.com> Sent: Thursday, December 8, 2022 12:46 PM

To: PUBCOMMENT-OCC <PUBCOMMENT-OCC@tceq.texas.gov> **Subject:** Public comment on Permit Number WQ0016052001

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CN NUMBER: CN605941608, CN602969396

FROM

NAME: MS Annette Gass

EMAIL: ritaann@gvtc.com

COMPANY:

ADDRESS: 12471 US HIGHWAY 281 N SPRING BRANCH TX 78070-6318

PHONE: 8306606429

FAX:

COMMENTS: "The Neighbors of Spring Branch" request a contested case hearing regarding TPDES permit No. WQ00016052001, SJWTX, Inc. (CN602969396), and Mary Jane Cielencki (CN605941608). "The Neighbors of Spring Branch" was formed in 2013 and is a community-oriented organization dedicated to preserving the environmental quality of the Spring Branch area located in the beautiful hill country. The members work to keep the air clean, protect

the water sources, and protect wildlife and their habitats. The following members are requesting a contested case hearing: • Annette Gass, 12471 US 281 N, Spring Branch, Texas, 78070 (830) 660-6429, ritaann@gvtc.com • Robert & Angela Butler, 381 Bent Oak Drive, Spring Branch, Texas 78070 (210) 885-7230, butler@gvtc.com • William & Kristen Wessale, 360 Bent Oak Drive, Spring Branch Tx 78070 281-455-6072, bill@wessale.com • Dr Sid and Becky Atkinson, 13084 Rebecca Creek Road, Spring Branch Tx 78070 (210) 273-8786, batkinson@gvtc.com • Tony and Ruth Taylor, 520 Craig Lane, Spring Branch, Texas 78080 (830) 560-0986, tony.taylor5562@yahoo.com Robert Butler, 381 Bent Oak Drive, Spring Branch, Texas 78070, (210) 885-7230, butler@gvtc.com, will be responsible for receiving all communications and documents for "The Neighbors of Spring Branch." Annette Gass is an affected party and is requesting a contested case hearing. Mrs. Gass' property borders the southern side of the land that the wastewater permit request is attempting to build and operate a wastewater facility. Mrs. Gass owns 215 acres that are used for hay production and cattle grazing. Cypress Creek, the creek that is proposed to receive the wastewater discharge, runs through the middle of her pastures. The effluent will subject her hay and grazing cattle to prescription medications, viruses, and household chemicals which are not removed by the wastewater treatment facility as was specifically stated at the public meeting on August 11, 2022 at the Smithson Valley Middle School. The viruses, prescription medications, and household chemicals discharged from the wastewater treatment facility could be ingested by her cattle as they drink from the creek. These cattle are sold to the market where they are processed for human consumption. In addition, westerly winds will blow wastewater discharge odors from the creek to her residence which overlooks the pasture that Cypress Creek traverses. Note: The discharge from the wastewater plant is to be piped to the north side of the acreage where the plant is to be located and released into Cypress Creek. This skirting of the rules assures that the one requirement for affected parties be limited to only to Annette Gass as it ends at her southern property line. Robert Butler has requested on three occasions under the Texas Open Records Act information on Mary Jane Cielencki, SJWTX (Canyon Lake Water Company), and Lennar Homes or its subsidiaries. Twice, the requests were made in the comment section of the TCEQ public hearing request and once during the public meeting on August 11, 2022. To this date, Robert Butler has not received any response from TCEQ. Should any of the information on this individual or businesses be of a derogatory nature, this information would be needed to help dispute the permit request. On October 21, 2021, the Comal County Commissioners Court enacted an order, # 468, which prohibits the disposal of garbage, rubbish, refuse, sludge from a wastewater treatment plant, water supply treatment plant, or air pollution control facility, and other discarded material, including solid, liquid, semi-solid, or contained gaseous material resulting from industrial, municipal, commercial, mining, and agricultural operations and from community and institutional activities. Based on this, it is prohibited for TCEQ to issue a permit for the wastewater facility as it will violate the order enacted by the Comal County Commissioners Court.

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PUBCOMMENT-OCC

Sent:

Wednesday, August 10, 2022 10:26 AM

To:

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Subject:

FW: Public comment on Permit Number WQ0016052001

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From: marianchenderson@gmail.com < marianchenderson@gmail.com >

Sent: Tuesday, August 9, 2022 12:17 PM

To: PUBCOMMENT-OCC < PUBCOMMENT-OCC@tceq.texas.gov > **Subject:** Public comment on Permit Number WQ0016052001

REGULATED ENTY NAME SIMMONS VALLEY WWTF

RN NUMBER: RN111349809

PERMIT NUMBER: WQ0016052001

DOCKET NUMBER:

COUNTY: COMAL

PRINCIPAL NAME: CIELENCKI, MARY JANE, SJWTX INC

CN NUMBER: CN605941608, CN602969396

FROM

NAME: Marian F Henderson

EMAIL: marianchenderson@gmail.com

COMPANY:

ADDRESS: 1116 SANTA ROSA CT CANYON LAKE TX 78133-4797

PHONE: 8322211912

FAX:

COMMENTS: I recently saw on the news of the proposed wastewater permit being requested to dump wastewater into the Guadalupe. I am definitely opposed to this proposal. Coming from Houston, I can tell you from experience, this will be the beginning of the end of the beautiful native plants, trees and wildlife in the area. I am also the mother of a son that was part of a large class action suit, in which my son was exposed to a banned chemical that was used to control termites in an apartment complex. When will companies learn, toxic chemicals affect EVERYONE eventually. Our

drinking, recreational waters will slowly be destroyed, all the wildlife we took for granite will disappear, and when we do realize it...you can almost NEVER get it back. Please, please reconsider allowing this permit before Hill Country itself starts looking like Houston. A once beautiful city, full of chemicals and almost completely devoid of natural beauty.

Lori Rowe

From:

PUBCOMMENT-OCC

Sent:

Tuesday, February 22, 2022 8:54 AM

To:

PUBCOMMENT-OCC2; PUBCOMMENT-OPIC; PUBCOMMENT-ELD; PUBCOMMENT-WQ

Subject:

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From: bhudson@bkhbuilders.com <bhudson@bkhbuilders.com>

Sent: Sunday, February 20, 2022 10:32 PM

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FROM

NAME: Ben Hudson

E-MAIL: bhudson@bkhbuilders.com

COMPANY:

ADDRESS: 510 TARA DR

SAN ANTONIO TX 78216-3752

PHONE: 2103891393

FAX:

COMMENTS: I request a public hearing

From:

PUBCOMMENT-OCC

Sent:

Friday, August 12, 2022 8:34 AM

To:

PUBCOMMENT-OCC2; PUBCOMMENT-OPIC; PUBCOMMENT-ELD; PUBCOMMENT-WQ

Subject:

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From: Bhudson@bkhbuilders.com <Bhudson@bkhbuilders.com>

Sent: Thursday, August 11, 2022 10:14 PM

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FROM

NAME: MR Ben Hudson

EMAIL: Bhudson@bkhbuilders.com

COMPANY:

ADDRESS: 20540 HIGHWAY 46 W Suite 115-618

SPRING BRANCH TX 78070-6821

PHONE: 2103891393

FAX:

COMMENTS: I think that this being pushed through without contacting property owners directly affected is ridiculous. I would like to see a detailed map that shows the route. Not the blurry map provided. A list of owners affected is appreciated as well.

From:

PUBCOMMENT-OCC

Sent:

Monday, June 6, 2022 9:25 AM

To:

PUBCOMMENT-WQ; PUBCOMMENT-ELD; PUBCOMMENT-OCC2; PUBCOMMENT-OPIC

Subject:

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From: esoterica0007@gmail.com <esoterica0007@gmail.com>

Sent: Friday, June 3, 2022 7:08 PM

To: PUBCOMMENT-OCC <PUBCOMMENT-OCC@tceq.texas.gov> **Subject:** Public comment on Permit Number WQ0016052001

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CN NUMBER: CN605941608,CN602969396

FROM

NAME: MRS Colette Laine

EMAIL: esoterica0007@gmail.com

COMPANY:

ADDRESS: 132 BLAZING MEADOW RD 284

SPRING BRANCH TX 78070-6393

PHONE: 8308852095

FAX:

COMMENTS: Request for public hearing. Request answers to questions posted on 6/2/2022 @ 9:43pm

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TCEQ Registration Form August 11, 2022

SJWTX, Inc. and Mary Jane Cielencki Proposed TPDES Permit No. WQ0016052001

PLEASE PRINT
Name:l'olette Laine
Name: lolette Laine Mailing Address: 132 Blazing Mendow #284
Physical Address (if different):
City/State: Spring Brunch Tex Zip: 78070
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Email:
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Lori Rowe

From:

PUBCOMMENT-OCC

Sent:

Friday, June 3, 2022 8:40 AM

To:

PUBCOMMENT-WQ; PUBCOMMENT-ELD; PUBCOMMENT-OCC2; PUBCOMMENT-OPIC

Subject:

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From: esoterica0007@gmail.com <esoterica0007@gmail.com>

Sent: Thursday, June 2, 2022 9:44 PM

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FROM

NAME: MRS Colette Laine

EMAIL: esoterica0007@gmail.com

COMPANY:

ADDRESS: 132 BLAZING MEADOW RD 284

SPRING BRANCH TX 78070-6393

PHONE: 8308852095

FAX:

COMMENTS: Questions: 1)What is the environmental footprint left on the community from the "treated" water? How is that determined? 2)The permit lists SJWTX and a private property (land) owner as the applicants on the Simmons Waste Water Treatment Facility permit. Who is responsible if something goes wrong with the Treatment Facility resulting in harm and damage to our community? 3)TCEQ explained that Ultraviolet (UV) Light Disinfection would be used to "treat" the waste water. According to a 1999 EPA published article, this process requires "mercury arc lamps". How much

electricity will this Waste Water Treatment plant consume? Won't this treatment plant burden, our already vulnerable, power grid? 4)In doing our own preliminary research it appears that high humidity and high heat work against the success of UV Light Disinfection water treatment. Comal County, Texas is known for its high heat and humidity. How does Simmons Valley Waste Water Treatment Facility plan to combat the high heat and humidity problem? 5) There are studies that have shown evidence of infectious particles being released into the air at and around these Waste Water Treatment Facilities. How will this danger be mitigated and by whom? 6) Who is responsible for the maintenance and operation of this Waste Water Treatment Facility? 7)Operators of Waste Water Treatment Facilities must be adequately trained and certified individuals. Are those types of workers available in the area of this proposed Waste Water Treatment Facility? 8)It is rumored that this Waste Water Treatment Facility is to service 718 homes that do not yet exist. Why is not the developer of the 700+ homes required to apply for this permit? 9)According to the Sewer Utility tariff between the PUC and Canyon Lake Water, Docket #46413, Section 3.0, the Developer shall submit to the utility (SJWTX) a proposed plat that includes the type, location, and number of houses, and other planned structures that will be requiring utility (sewage) service. We reviewed the publicly posted permit application and the plat with all the houses was not included. Where is it? 10) Who is the Developer of the proposed neighborhood that requires the Simmons Valley Waste Water Treatment Facility? 11)After the requirements of easements and rights of way have been determined, a red line copy will be returned by the utility (SJWTX) and to the Developer for final plat preparation. Where is this required red line document? Why is it not included in the permit for this Waste Water Treatment Facility with TCEQ? 12) Is not the red line document for final plat preparation required to be part of the Waste Water Treatment Facility permit application with the TCEQ?

TCEQ Public Meeting Form

PLEASE PRINT
Name: EDWARD Lette
Mailing Address: 1245 Phantom RIDER TRL
Physical Address (if different):
City/State: Spring Branch, Ty zip: 78070
Email: ete edward e grail. com or Riverhouse 1245 Chamer **E-mail addresses are subject to public disclosure under the Texas Public Information Act**
Phone Number: (\ 30) 221 - 7874
• Are you here today representing a municipality, legislator, agency, or group?
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8/11/2022

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HEARING ON THE PERMIT
FOR A. WASTEWATER PLANT 0.25 miles
NORTHWEST OF REBECCA CREEK
ROAD & 28/

EDWARD LETTE 1245 Phantom RIDER TRL Spring BRANCH, Tr 78070

(830) 221-7874 (Cell)

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From:

PUBCOMMENT-OCC

Sent:

Monday, August 15, 2022 8:45 AM

To:

PUBCOMMENT-OCC2; PUBCOMMENT-OPIC; PUBCOMMENT-ELD; PUBCOMMENT-WQ

Subject:

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From: smarder21@yahoo.com <smarder21@yahoo.com>

Sent: Friday, August 12, 2022 9:41 PM

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PRINCIPAL NAME: CIELENCKI, MARY JANE, SJWTX INC

CN NUMBER: CN605941608, CN602969396

FROM

NAME: Susan Marder

EMAIL: smarder21@yahoo.com

COMPANY:

ADDRESS: 6017 CORNWALL DR SPRING BRANCH TX 78070-7222

PHONE: 8308856467

FAX:

COMMENTS: I am requesting a contested hearing on the waste treatment plant located at Rebecca Creek Road and US Highway 281.If TCEQ pushes through this discharge permit it will negatively impact Spring Branch community resident's access to clean water. It appears the placement of the plant, located near the Edwards Aquifer Recharge Zone would require a better study than Tier One. An environmental impact study should be the first item on the list. Because the Hill Country's rivers and creeks (ie Cypress Creek & Guadalupe River) often have low or sporadic water flow, treated waste

water often will make up a large part of the stream volume below a treatment plant. This can harm both the rivers, creeks and the aquifers (Edwards, Trinity) they replenish. All waste water permits should be required to use better treatment methods. Isn't dispersing treated sewage into the soil a better alternative than dumping into creeks? All new developments should be designed to reuse treated waste water for non-potable purposes such as irrigating parks, golf courses, undeveloped fields and watering lawns. Reuse is key to implementing the "One Water" approach, which manages natural water, storm water & waste water as different forms of the same resource in an integrated approach. I understand from the meeting that a reuse permit is different from the waste water discharge permit and has to be applied for on it's own. We need further discussion on this matter to ensure that the best sewage treatment methods are being utilized. Also that the most protective discharge permit will guarantee that the waste water can be transformed from a problem that pollutes our creeks and rivers into a resource that helps conserve our best water for more important uses. Waste water discharge permits caused fewer problems when the Hill Country was lightly populated, but our recent explosive growth means more waste water and requires extensive studies on how to best handle these permits. A contested hearing is needed to satisfy the TCEQ's mission statement and provide answers to the questions coming from the community resident's. Sincerely, Susan Marder (Attendee at the SV Middle School public meeting)

From:

PUBCOMMENT-OCC

Sent:

Tuesday, August 16, 2022 1:16 PM

To:

PUBCOMMENT-OCC2; PUBCOMMENT-OPIC; PUBCOMMENT-ELD; PUBCOMMENT-WQ

Subject:

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FROM

NAME: Catherine Martin

EMAIL: Ciffymartin@gmail.com

COMPANY:

ADDRESS: 2146 COMAL SPGS CANYON LAKE TX 78133-5986

PHONE: 8302377556

FAX:

COMMENTS: I am requesting a contested hearing on the waste treatment plant located at Rebecca Creek Road and Highway 281. The residents of this community have not been given adequate information and additionally, further impact studies need to be done to ensure the future safety of the Edwards Aquifer recharge zone.

From:

PUBCOMMENT-OCC

Sent:

Wednesday, June 8, 2022 8:18 AM

To:

PUBCOMMENT-WQ; PUBCOMMENT-ELD; PUBCOMMENT-OCC2; PUBCOMMENT-OPIC

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From: skferrel1@yahoo.com <skferrel1@yahoo.com>

Sent: Wednesday, June 8, 2022 5:07 AM

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FROM

NAME: Star McDonald

EMAIL: skferrel1@yahoo.com

COMPANY:

ADDRESS: 27111 BOERNE FRST

BOERNE TX 78006-5226

PHONE: 2108704463

FAX:

COMMENTS: I would like to call for a public hearing on permit WQ0016052001 regarding plans for a new development and associated wastewater treatment plant proposed to discharge into Cypress Creek, a tributary of the Guadalupe River. I would like to ensure TCEQ includes better treatment plant technology than seen elsewhere as well as a phosphorus limit in this permit. I appreciate the intent to apply the effluent in Jumbo Evans Park at some future date,

Creek and the Guadalupe River.

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Monday, August 15, 2022 8:41 AM

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From: holleymohr@yahoo.com <holleymohr@yahoo.com>

Sent: Friday, August 12, 2022 4:30 PM

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FROM

NAME: Linda Holley Mohr

EMAIL: holleymohr@yahoo.com

COMPANY:

ADDRESS: 6013 CORNWALL DR SPRING BRANCH TX 78070-7222

PHONE: 9797772265

FAX:

COMMENTS: I am requesting a contested hearing on the waste treatment plant located at Rebecca Creek Road and Highway 281. The TCEQ has not given enough consideration of the fact that the plant will be located in the Edwards Aquifer Recharge Zone (as best I can tell since they did not give us a map at the meeting last night just one on a screen that I could not see from the back of the room). Despite that, the plant waste will pass through the recharge zone at some point. Because of the sensitive nature of the placement of the plant, a better study than Tier 1 should be done. An

environmental impact study should be the first item on the list. TCEQ's mission statement and philosophy state: Mission Statement The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality strives to protect our state's public health and natural resources consistent with sustainable economic development. Our goal is clean air, clean water, and the safe management of waste. Agency Philosophy To accomplish our mission, we will: base decisions on the law, common sense, sound science, and fiscal responsibility; ensure that regulations are necessary, effective, and current; apply regulations clearly and consistently; ensure consistent, just, and timely enforcement when environmental laws are violated; ensure meaningful public participation in the decision-making process; promote and foster voluntary compliance with environmental laws and provide flexibility in achieving environmental goals; and hire, develop, and retain a high-quality, diverse workforce. In order to fulfill your mission statement, it is noted that that many of the people at the meeting last night did not feel that their needs were being listened to or that the agency even cared enough about them to give them simple things like a map of the area with the creeks and rivers where the effluence is going were noted. In fact, the presenter brushed off the questions about the map with the comment, "I am not from here." It seems that if someone is presenting something that would affect so many lives, the least he could have done was found out where this project would be placed. The presenter also went through the contested hearing information so fast that those with no experience with TCEQ did not realize what a contested hearing was until one of the commenters told them. He certainly did not say to submit online. He left the impression that they would have to mail their comments to Austin. Given all of the above issues, a hearing is necessary to address issues that were not addressed at the public meeting last night.



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Mailing Address: 6013 Cornwall Drive
Physical Address (if different):
City/State: Spring Branch JX Zip: 78070
Email: holleymohr Wyahoo Cara
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Formal Written Comment :

As a resident of Comal County on the northwest side of the laketoward 281, we have already been in severe drought restriction water use. With an additional 100+ homesites going in in west of 281/306 and 300+ homesites we are NOT going to be able to keep up with water usage demand—

PLEASE RECONSIDER ANY ADDITIONAL LARGE DEVELOPMENTS.

PLEASE! For us, our children; grand children,

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Attachments:

How Bad is Wastewater For The Environment.docx

From: mcmyers1@yahoo.com <mcmyers1@yahoo.com>

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FROM

NAME: Michael C Myers

EMAIL: mcmyers1@yahoo.com

COMPANY:

ADDRESS: 202 SWIFT PL

SPRING BRANCH TX 78070-5063

PHONE: 7132532367

FAX:

COMMENTS: I do not approve of this permit being issued for a waste water treatment plant. Or for any other project that disturbs our natural water resources. DO NOT LET ANYONE OR ANY COMPANY TOUCH OUR WATER. History proves that the water will become contaminated if a company is allowed use it. Texans do not want any more development in the Canyon Lake area.

How Bad is Wastewater For The Environment?

The fact that we are making water unusable means that we are literally draining water supplies. Despite the fact that the Earth's surface is mostly made up of bodies of water, consider the fact that we are dumping out waste into those bodies of water. We are literally polluting the water that we could potentially use. But that's not the full extent of the damage that wastewater causes to the environment.

1. Water and Habitat Contamination

The most immediate effect of wastewater on the environment is when it contributes toward the contamination and destruction of natural habitats and the wildlife that live in those habitats by exposing them to harmful chemicals that would otherwise not be present over the natural course of things.

2. Squalor

Wastewater is one of the worst sources and carriers of diseases. According to a report from the World Health Organization, more than 3.4 million people die each year from a <u>waterborne</u> <u>disease</u>. Besides the diseases wastewater carries, the combination of human waste, solvents, and paints create fumes that aren't only putrid but they also expose people to harmful fumes. There's a real danger when you inhale sewage gas.

3. Soil Degradation

Wastewater is often treated and repurposed for use in irrigation. As if that wasn't bad enough on its own, water treatment processes are not completely effective. Chemicals that are harmful to crops may find their way to the soil when the wastewater isn't properly treated. These chemicals will cause the soil to yield fewer crops at a slower rate. Consider also the fact that these crops will eventually be eaten, which can also harm humans.

4. It Contains Harmful Substances

The composition of wastewater may include heavy metals, pathogens, salts, toxic chemicals, oil and grease, solids, nutrients, sludge, acids and bases, toxic organic compound, organic and inorganic materials. This effluent poses numerous hazards for humans, animals and the environment as a whole. It can be toxic, corrosive, reactive, acidic and ignitable. Therefore, it must undergo treatment before being reused or redirected into the water supply.

5. Wastewater Effects on Water Bodies

Waterways are generally most at risk to the harmful effects of wastewater. Toxic compounds in the effluent disrupt aquatic ecosystems. When a large amount of biodegradable substances end up in the water, organisms will start to break them down, and they use a lot of dissolved oxygen. Dissolved oxygen is

critical for marine life to thrive, and as it becomes depleted, it can be life-threatening for fish.

Wastewater also contains oil and grease that are harder to break down and can settle on the surface of the water. This blocks that light the photosynthetic aquatic plants need. It can also suffocate fish and get caught in birds' feathers. Like heavy metals, such as lead and mercury, these are toxic to both humans and animals. If someone drank from or ate fish from a contaminated water source, they could also suffer from serious health effects. The same happens with the animals and plants living in the water.

6. Other Harmful Characteristics of Wastewater

When untreated wastewater gets dumped, it's often warm or even hot, which can elevate the temperature of the water, further disrupting the ecosystem. Fish are cold-blooded, so they rely on the water to regulate their own body temperature. If the water is too warm, it can increase respiration, feeding and movement. Additionally, the temperature of the water also affects the amount of oxygen in it.

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PUBCOMMENT-OCC

Sent:

Monday, August 15, 2022 8:43 AM

To:

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FROM

NAME: Lisa OSullivan

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COMPANY:

ADDRESS: 11023 PORTSMOUTH DR SPRING BRANCH TX 78070-6419

PHONE: 2105545548

FAX:

COMMENTS: I WANT A CONTESTED HEARING

From:

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Monday, August 15, 2022 8:44 AM

To:

PUBCOMMENT-OCC2; PUBCOMMENT-OPIC; PUBCOMMENT-ELD; PUBCOMMENT-WQ

Subject:

FW: Public comment on Permit Number WQ0016052001

From: lisaosullivan@gvtc.com <lisaosullivan@gvtc.com>

Sent: Saturday, August 13, 2022 8:48 AM

To: PUBCOMMENT-OCC <PUBCOMMENT-OCC@tceq.texas.gov> **Subject:** Public comment on Permit Number WQ0016052001

REGULATED ENTY NAME SIMMONS VALLEY WWTF

RN NUMBER: RN111349809

PERMIT NUMBER: WQ0016052001

DOCKET NUMBER:

COUNTY: COMAL

PRINCIPAL NAME: CIELENCKI, MARY JANE, SJWTX INC

CN NUMBER: CN605941608, CN602969396

FROM

NAME: Lisa OSullivan

EMAIL: lisaosullivan@gvtc.com

COMPANY:

ADDRESS: 11023 PORTSMOUTH DR SPRING BRANCH TX 78070-6419

PHONE: 8307082626

FAX:

COMMENTS: PLEASE DO NOT ALLOW THE HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF GALLONS OF DIRTY SUPPOSEDLY TREATED WATED GO INTO OUR RIVERS FROM KENARD (SP) BUILDERS. WE DO NOT NEED THESE HOMES, WE DO NOT WANT THESE TINY LOTS IN THE HILL COUNTRY, THEY SHOULD NOT BE ALLOWED TO BUILD SUCH THINGS HERE, BUILD IN THE CITY WHERE THEY BELONG. DO NOT RUIN OR WATER WAYS, DO NOT DUMP DIRTY WATER IN OUR CYPRESS CREEK

WHICH FLOWS TO GUADALUPE RIVER WHICH FLOWS TO CANYON LAKE. STOP NOW, BEFORE YOU RUIN OUR CLEAN WATER, WELL WATER, AND WILD LIFE.

Christina Bourque

From:

PUBCOMMENT-OCC

Sent:

Friday, December 9, 2022 10:35 AM

To:

PUBCOMMENT-OCC2; PUBCOMMENT-OPIC; PUBCOMMENT-ELD; PUBCOMMENT-WQ

Subject:

FW: Public comment on Permit Number WQ0016052001

Attachments:

Letter to TCEQ regarding permit.pdf

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From: opowell@utexas.edu <opowell@utexas.edu>

Sent: Thursday, December 8, 2022 11:04 PM

To: PUBCOMMENT-OCC < PUBCOMMENT-OCC@tceq.texas.gov > **Subject:** Public comment on Permit Number WQ0016052001

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PRINCIPAL NAME: CIELENCKI, MARY JANE, SJWTX INC

CN NUMBER: CN605941608, CN602969396

FROM

NAME: MR Owen J Powell

EMAIL: opowell@utexas.edu

COMPANY:

ADDRESS: 270 FAWN LN

SPRING BRANCH TX 78070-5603

PHONE: 9367278954

FAX:

COMMENTS: To Whom It May Concern, The proposal of SJWTX, Inc. and Mary Jane Cielencki to discharge treated wastewater into Cypress Creek must be reconsidered for multiple reasons of great significance. Cypress Creek, while not containing significant aquatic life, is of importance as a receiving water due to potential impacts on the area's water

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Owen Powell

270 Fawn Lane Spring Branch, TX 78070 936-727-8954

Office of the Chief Clerk TCEQ 12100 Park 35 Circle, Bldg F Austin, TX 78753

December 8, 2022

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Owen Powell

From:

PUBCOMMENT-OCC

Sent:

Wednesday, August 10, 2022 3:57 PM

To:

PUBCOMMENT-OCC2; PUBCOMMENT-OPIC; PUBCOMMENT-ELD; PUBCOMMENT-WQ

Subject:

FW: Public comment on Permit Number WQ0016052001

RFR

From: opowell@utexas.edu <opowell@utexas.edu>
Sent: Wednesday, August 10, 2022 12:49 PM

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FROM

NAME: MR Owen Powell

EMAIL: opowell@utexas.edu

COMPANY:

ADDRESS: 270 FAWN LN

SPRING BRANCH TX 78070-5603

PHONE: 9367278954

FAX:

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Tuesday, February 15, 2022 12:59 PM

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PUBCOMMENT-OCC2; PUBCOMMENT-OPIC; PUBCOMMENT-ELD; PUBCOMMENT-WQ

Subject:

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From: jpspranch@aol.com <jpspranch@aol.com> Sent: Tuesday, February 15, 2022 12:18 PM

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COUNTY: COMAL

PRINCIPAL NAME: CIELENCKI, MARY JANE, SJWTX INC

CN NUMBER: CN605941608, CN602969396

FROM

NAME: Juanita Marga Proffitt

E-MAIL: jpspranch@aol.com

COMPANY:

ADDRESS: 740 CRAIG LN

SPRING BRANCH TX 78070-6316

PHONE: 9153295332

FAX:

COMMENTS: I demand (as is my right) to a hearing on permit #WQ0016052001. This will interfere with my aquifer and well. Once again also affecting my health.

From:

PUBCOMMENT-OCC

Sent:

Monday, August 15, 2022 8:43 AM

To:

PUBCOMMENT-OCC2; PUBCOMMENT-OPIC; PUBCOMMENT-ELD; PUBCOMMENT-WQ

Subject:

FW: Public comment on Permit Number WQ0016052001

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From: Jmcapartment.2017@gmail.com < Jmcapartment.2017@gmail.com >

Sent: Saturday, August 13, 2022 8:57 AM

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CN NUMBER: CN605941608, CN602969396

FROM

NAME: Josephine Rosales

EMAIL: Jmcapartment.2017@gmail.com

COMPANY:

ADDRESS: 179 PRAIRIE DAWN SPRING BRANCH TX 78070-5183

PHONE: 6308909873

FAX:

COMMENTS: If the water from the said creek feeds into other bodies of water, research needs to be done on how this is going to affect those water. The kind and concentration of chemicals to be used and it's effect to it's surroundings since we are in the era of environmental responsibility. I contest at this time and request for more hearing to see what comes out from their research and how will they mitigate any changes that this water plant is going to do with the ecosystem around it. Again requesting for Contested hearing.

From:

PUBCOMMENT-OCC

Sent:

Thursday, June 9, 2022 8:54 AM

To:

PUBCOMMENT-WQ; PUBCOMMENT-ELD; PUBCOMMENT-OCC2; PUBCOMMENT-OPIC

Subject:

FW: Public comment on Permit Number WQ0016052001

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From: dare2dreambig@gmail.com <dare2dreambig@gmail.com>

Sent: Wednesday, June 8, 2022 4:43 PM

To: PUBCOMMENT-OCC < PUBCOMMENT-OCC@tceq.texas.gov> **Subject:** Public comment on Permit Number WQ0016052001

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CN NUMBER: CN605941608, CN602969396

FROM

NAME: MR Alejandro Ruiz

EMAIL: dare2dreambig@gmail.com

COMPANY:

ADDRESS: 3218 BUCK MEADOW TRL SPRING BRANCH TX 78070-6390

PHONE: 8305225742

FAX:

COMMENTS: The creek travels on one edge of our property. We previously had lived in a nearly identical situation as what is proposed. Repeatedly there were "accidents" creating extreme health risks as a result of these "accidents" apart from the dangers already there from the daily discharge that will be generated. Apart from that, it will put the local wildlife in danger plus also create a barrier for them to have access to our property on which they have food, shelter and room to reproduce. Request for public hearing. Request answers to questions posted on 6/2/2022 @ 9:43pm



TCEQ Registration Form August 11, 2022

SJWTX, Inc. and Mary Jane Cielencki Proposed TPDES Permit No. WQ0016052001

PLEASE PRINT
Name: Alex Rulz
Mailing Address: 3218 Buck MeAdow Trl, TX 78070
Physical Address (if different):
City/State: Spring Branch Zip: 78070
This information is subject to public disclosure under the Texas Public Information Act Email: <u>dare 2 dreambig@gmail.(om</u> Phone Number: (830) 522-574/2
Phone Number: (830) 5 22 - 5 142
Are you here today representing a municipality, legislator, agency, or group? ☐ Yes ☑ No If yes, which one?
Please add me to the mailing list.
I wish to provide formal ORAL COMMENTS at tonight's public meeting.
☐ I wish to provide formal <i>WRITTEN COMMENTS</i> at tonight's public meeting.
(Written comments may be submitted at any time during the meeting)

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Subject:

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From: sjrivergirl1977@icloud.com <sjrivergirl1977@icloud.com>

Sent: Saturday, August 13, 2022 12:02 PM

To: PUBCOMMENT-OCC < PUBCOMMENT-OCC@tceq.texas.gov > **Subject:** Public comment on Permit Number WQ0016052001

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CN NUMBER: CN605941608,CN602969396

FROM

NAME: Amanda Saunders

EMAIL: sjrivergirl1977@icloud.com

COMPANY:

ADDRESS: 5237 ASCOT AVE SPRING BRANCH TX 78070-6427

PHONE: 8328145126

FAX:

COMMENTS: Oppose the permit I want a contested hearing.

From:

PUBCOMMENT-OCC

Sent:

Monday, March 21, 2022 10:06 AM

To:

PUBCOMMENT-OCC2; PUBCOMMENT-OPIC; PUBCOMMENT-ELD; PUBCOMMENT-WQ

Subject:

FW: hearing request

Attachments:

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From: WQAP < WQAP@tceq.texas.gov> Sent: Monday, March 21, 2022 10:02 AM

To: PUBCOMMENT-OCC < PUBCOMMENT-OCC@tceq.texas.gov>

Subject: FW: hearing request

Good morning,

When you reply to the customer, please cc WOAP@tceq.texas.gov by COB on March 24, 2022.

Also, don't forget to include the Customer Satisfaction Survey tagline.

How is our customer service? Fill out our online customer satisfaction survey at www.tceq.texas.gov/customersurvey

Thank you,

Abigail Flores Water Quality Division/ CIA Team Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

From:

PDWS

Sent:

Friday, March 18, 2022 12:50 PM

To:

WQAP

Subject:

FW: hearing request

This should be answered by Water Quality Division

Thank you

From: Nathan Segovia <nathansegoviacoa@gmail.com>

Sent: Friday, March 18, 2022 12:37 PM To: PDWS <PDWS@tceq.texas.gov>

Subject: hearing request

I would like to request a hearing on permit#WQ0016052001 to discuss the risks involved with this development. Many contaminants are not treated through sewage plants and WILL destroy precious life where they plan to discharge. This should not be allowed by any means, and the strictest responsibility shall be enforced. Do not grant this permit and let public health and safety be in your best interest.

Nathan Segovia 361-960-0095

nathansegoviacoa@gmail.com

From:

PUBCOMMENT-OCC

Sent:

Thursday, June 9, 2022 8:54 AM

To:

PUBCOMMENT-WQ; PUBCOMMENT-ELD; PUBCOMMENT-OCC2; PUBCOMMENT-OPIC

Subject:

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CN NUMBER: CN605941608,CN602969396

FROM

NAME: Eva Silverfine

EMAIL: texott@gvtc.com

COMPANY:

ADDRESS: 1309 THE LOW RD SAN MARCOS TX 78666-1821

PHONE: 8309642655

FAX:

COMMENTS: I am writing to request a public hearing for TPDES Permit No. WQ0016052001, a wasterwater discharge permit into Cypress Creek, which feeds into the Guadalupe River. Given the extent of the proposed development, 178 homes on 110 acres and potentially another 31 acres of commercial development, this is a significant amount of sewage (265,000 gallons per day) being discharged into an often dry creek bed. Such a quantity threatens water quality with nutrient enrichments as well as potential pollutants and should require the strictest of discharge levels. A firm

commitment to using water recycling is doable and would be preferable. Finally, it should not be ignored that additional stormwater runoff resulting from covering natural terrain with rooftops, roads, and parking lots will also threaten surface water quality and add to flooding threats if not addressed.

Christina Bourque

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PUBCOMMENT-OCC

Sent:

Friday, December 9, 2022 10:36 AM

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Attachments:

RequestContestedCaseHearing.docx

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CN NUMBER: CN605941608, CN602969396

FROM

NAME: William & Krist Wessale

EMAIL: bill@wessale.com

COMPANY:

ADDRESS: 360 BENT OAK DR SPRING BRANCH TX 78070-6312

PHONE: 2814556072

FAX:

COMMENTS: "The Neighbors of Spring Branch" request a contested case hearing regarding TPDES permit No. WQ00016052001, SJWTX, Inc. (CN602969396), and Mary Jane Cielencki (CN605941608). "The Neighbors of Spring Branch" was formed in 2013 and is a community-oriented organization dedicated to preserving the environmental quality of the Spring Branch area located in the beautiful hill country. The members work to keep the air clean, protect

the water sources, and protect wildlife and their habitats. The following members are requesting a contested case hearing: • Annette Gass, 12471 US 281 N, Spring Branch, Texas, 78070 (830) 660-6429, ritaann@gvtc.com • Robert & Angela Butler, 381 Bent Oak Drive, Spring Branch, Texas 78070 (210) 885-7230, butler@gvtc.com • William & Kristen Wessale, 360 Bent Oak Drive, Spring Branch Tx 78070 281-455-6072, bill@wessale.com • Dr Sid and Becky Atkinson, 13084 Rebecca Creek Road, Spring Branch Tx 78070 (210) 273-8786, batkinson@gvtc.com • Tony and Ruth Taylor, 520 Craig Lane, Spring Branch, Texas 78080 (830) 560-0986, tony.taylor5562@yahoo.com Robert Butler, 381 Bent Oak Drive, Spring Branch, Texas 78070, (210) 885-7230, butler@gvtc.com, will be responsible for receiving all communications and documents for "The Neighbors of Spring Branch." Annette Gass is an affected party and is requesting a contested case hearing. Mrs. Gass' property borders the southern side of the land that the wastewater permit request is attempting to build and operate a wastewater facility. Mrs. Gass owns 215 acres that are used for hay production and cattle grazing. Cypress Creek, the creek that is proposed to receive the wastewater discharge, runs through the middle of her pastures. The effluent will subject her hay and grazing cattle to prescription medications, viruses, and household chemicals which are not removed by the wastewater treatment facility as was specifically stated at the public meeting on August 11, 2022 at the Smithson Valley Middle School. The viruses, prescription medications, and household chemicals discharged from the wastewater treatment facility could be ingested by her cattle as they drink from the creek. These cattle are sold to the market where they are processed for human consumption. In addition, westerly winds will blow wastewater discharge odors from the creek to her residence which overlooks the pasture that Cypress Creek traverses. Note: The discharge from the wastewater plant is to be piped to the north side of the acreage where the plant is to be located and released into Cypress Creek. This skirting of the rules limits legally affected parties to only Annette Gass by moving the effluent discharge to the northern edge of the subject property. Robert Butler has requested on three occasions under the Texas Open Records Act information on Mary Jane Cielencki, SJWTX (Canyon Lake Water Company), and Lennar Homes or its subsidiaries. Twice, the requests were made in the comment section of the TCEQ public hearing request and once during the public meeting on August 11, 2022. To this date, Robert Butler has not received any response from TCEQ. Should any of the information on this individual or businesses be of a derogatory nature, this information would be needed to help dispute the permit request. On October 21, 2021, the Comal County Commissioners Court enacted an order, # 468, which prohibits the disposal of garbage, rubbish, refuse, sludge from a wastewater treatment plant, water supply treatment plant, or air pollution control facility, and other discarded material, including solid, liquid, semi-solid, or contained gaseous material resulting from industrial, municipal, commercial, mining, and agricultural operations and from community and institutional activities. Based on this, it is prohibited for TCEQ to issue a permit for the wastewater facility as it will violate the order enacted by the Comal County Commissioners Court.

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Sent:

Tuesday, February 22, 2022 8:49 AM

To:

PUBCOMMENT-OCC2; PUBCOMMENT-OPIC; PUBCOMMENT-ELD; PUBCOMMENT-WQ

Subject:

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From: Bill@wessale.com <Bill@wessale.com> Sent: Friday, February 18, 2022 7:19 PM

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CN NUMBER: CN605941608,CN602969396

FROM

NAME: William Wessale

E-MAIL: Bill@wessale.com

COMPANY:

ADDRESS: 360 BENT OAK DR SPRING BRANCH TX 78070-6312

PHONE: 2814556072

FAX:

COMMENTS: I request a public hearing on this application.

TCEQ Registration Form

August 11, 2022

SJWTX, Inc. and Mary Jane Cielencki Proposed TPDES Permit No. WQ0016052001

PLEASE PRINT
Name: KMS & Bill Wessale
Mailing Address: 360 Bent Ook Dr
Physical Address (if different):
City/State: Spring Branch Zip: 78070
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☐ I wish to provide formal ORAL COMMENTS at tonight's public meeting.
I wish to provide formal WRITTEN COMMENTS at tonight's public meeting. (Written comments may be submitted at any time during the meeting)

I am submitting the tollowing written questions -

1) Where can I find the design of the proposed treatment plant? If not why can the permit application specify a "class" for the operator licenses?

2) Has the design been approved by an independent civil engineer PE?

3) What is the max number of people or homes the treatment plant has been designed to accommodate?

4) When additional homer beyond the stated number in the application are bout, what is the process to revise the lizense for this treatment plant?

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Bill Wessele 360 Bent Oaks Dr. Spring Branch TX 78070 281-435-6072

- 5) The application specifies a SK Class Coperators lizerse. Please provide the criteria of plant technology, complexity, and daily est went flow for plants requiring 5/055 A, B, and C operators licenses -
- a) If revse in ALWAS an option, why are you regesting a permit to dump 260,000 gallons / day of
- T) Even though your claim to use only 12.5% of your permitted volume, we need to assume you willyloof since you have permit to do so. Use
- B) Why can't gow redesign the treatment plant to have O disaharge and reuse 100% P TCER should require that all subdivisions produce no discharge.

From:

PUBCOMMENT-OCC

Sent:

Tuesday, May 17, 2022 2:23 PM

To:

PUBCOMMENT-OCC2; PUBCOMMENT-OPIC; PUBCOMMENT-ELD; PUBCOMMENT-WQ

Subject:

FW: Public comment on Permit Number WQ0016052001

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From: bill@wessale.com <bill@wessale.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 10:03 AM

To: PUBCOMMENT-OCC <PUBCOMMENT-OCC@tceq.texas.gov> **Subject:** Public comment on Permit Number WQ0016052001

REGULATED ENTY NAME SIMMONS VALLEY WWTF

RN NUMBER: RN111349809

PERMIT NUMBER: WQ0016052001

DOCKET NUMBER:

COUNTY: COMAL

PRINCIPAL NAME: CIELENCKI, MARY JANE, SJWTX INC

CN NUMBER: CN605941608, CN602969396

FROM

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COMMENTS: 265,000 gallons/day will cut off entrance and exit through Landon's Way to the subdivision it leads to. That amount of effluent will lead to a smelly bog for miles downstream through what is now a dry creek. I request a public meeting.

From:

PUBCOMMENT-OCC

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Tuesday, February 22, 2022 8:48 AM

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From: Bill@wessale.com <Bill@wessale.com> Sent: Friday, February 18, 2022 7:09 PM

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COMMENTS: 265,000 gal/day! Yikes. Cypress Creek will be flooded. I'm sure the applicant claims they won't discharge that much, but the permit would allow it for future subdivision expansion. I am against this abuse of the Hill Country for Lennar's profit. The subdivision is way too dense. Urban developments where land is expensive may concentrate this volume of effluent, but at this location?!