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TCEQ Registration Form

November 17, 2022

Steel Dynamics Southwest, LLC

Proposed Amendment to TPDES Permit No. WQ0005283000

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Name: Heather Cohea Jay Cohea

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If yes, which one? _____

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1. What exactly is this permit asking for? Explain what permit you did have and what you are now asking for.
2. Do you have adequate storage for these holding ponds?
3. How often will you monitor? Can you go above and beyond what TXEQ requires?
4. Will you treat it before or after it goes into the holding ponds? Can you test both?
5. What happens when a 10" rain comes, will these ponds suffice and can you certify there will be no overflow?
6. What does it entail to be in your contamination zone? Basically there are 3 residences that lie within this boundary. Why did you not situate the plant so no residences were within this zone? Why is this zone designated? It must be because there are certain risks involved with being within this zone.
7. Will you hire a 3rd party to assess the ground water and conduct an environmental assessment prior to this permit moving forward?
8. Why is the water source for drinking water not tested?

~~What requirements?~~
~~handwritten notes~~
~~needed~~

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Debbie Zachary

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Sent: Friday, September 9, 2022 1:23 PM
To: PUBCOMMENT-OCC2; PUBCOMMENT-OPIC; PUBCOMMENT-ELD; PUBCOMMENT-WQ
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From: caylee2colton@yahoo.com <caylee2colton@yahoo.com>
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FROM

NAME: Heather Cohea

EMAIL: caylee2colton@yahoo.com

COMPANY:

ADDRESS: 11464 STATE HIGHWAY 188
SINTON TX 78387-5539

PHONE: 3615373324

FAX:

COMMENTS: These comments are in reference to permit # WQ0005283000 submitted by Steel Dynamics of Sinton, Tx. A home that we own that our son lives in and our business sits in the contamination zone of Steel Dynamics. This amendment to their current permit is basically asking for them to be allowed to add additional waste into their wetlands (which is basically a hole in the ground). All that waste is absorbed and or runs off, and could very well end up affecting our water source. This is our drinking, bathing, and cooking water. We also use this water in processes here at our

business which means our hands and employee hands are handling the water all day. What happens when we get 6, 10, 20" of rain? All that waste then overflows. Steel Dynamics needs a site assessment done prior to this permit going forward and needs a third party environmental assessment.

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From: PUBCOMMENT-OCC
Sent: Monday, August 29, 2022 11:00 AM
To: PUBCOMMENT-OCC2; PUBCOMMENT-OPIC; PUBCOMMENT-ELD; PUBCOMMENT-WQ
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NAME: Heather Cohea

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COMPANY: Heather Cohea

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COMMENTS: Please see attached.

Jay & Heather Cohea
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August 29, 2022

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TCEQ
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Austin, Tx 78711-3087


RE: permit no. WQ0005283000

To whom it may concern,

I am requesting a public meeting in regards to the application Steel Dynamics Southwest, LLC located at 8534 Highway 89, Sinton, Texas 78387 submitted for permit no WQ0005283000. Our business sits in the contamination zone for the mill. We own the property right next door that our son and his wife live at which is also in the contamination zone. We are in direct proximity to the mill and will potentially suffer the effects of this permit to our drinking water and our personal health and safety.

We have other issues and concerns we would like to discuss as well. Thank you for considering holding this public meeting.

Sincerely,



Jay Cohea



Heather Cohea

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To: PUBCOMMENT-OCC2; PUBCOMMENT-OPIC; PUBCOMMENT-ELD; PUBCOMMENT-WQ
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Attachments: letter to Steel Dynamics1.pdf

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COMMENTS: Please see attached. Please disregard previous submission. The wrong address was listed.

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Name: MIKE CULBERTSON

Mailing Address: 3006 MOORE AVE, FORTZAW

Physical Address (if different): _____

City/State: FORTZAW TX Zip: 78374

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Email: MCULBERTSON

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Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
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Austin, Texas 78711-3087
By Regular U.S. Mail and Email: www.14.tceq.texas.gov/epic/eComment/

RE: The Aransas Project Support for Steel Dynamics Southwest and Major Amendment to TPDES Permit No. WQ0005283000.

Dear Ms. Gharis;

Greetings, on behalf of The Aransas Project, please find this letter of support for the proposed Amendment to Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit No. WQ0005383000. It is not often that The Aransas Project (TAP) or this attorney for that matter is compelled to support a permit that it once opposed, yet this is the case with this Permit Amendment.

One of The Aransas Project's primary objectives is the preservation of the quality and quantity of fresh water inflows into the Copano, Mission and Aransas Bay systems. Initially, TAP opposed this TPDES permit because of concerns that the proposed discharge threatened marine ecosystems downstream. As such on December 7, 2019 TAP attended the first public meeting held online, submitted public comments that opposed the Permit and requested a contested case hearing. In due course, Steel Dynamics reached out to TAP and from the dialogue a negotiated settlement arose. This settlement specified that a 50-acre polishing wetland would be constructed to remove heavy metals traces from the discharge, to be designed by a wetlands expert, in this case Jack Matson of Penn State. Attached, please find Dr. Matson's support letter for this Permit Amendment.

To date, TAP feels that Steel Dynamics has done what they promised in the Agreement with TAP and that their representations to construct a polishing wetland to TAP have been incorporated into this Permit Amendment. In short, this permit amendment comes about as a result of TAP's request and subsequent settlement agreement. As such, TAP supports Amended Permit Application No. WQ0005283000.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact The Aransas Project at the contact information provided above.

Sincerely,

Bryan French
Attorney for The Aransas Project

Enclosures: (1)



October 27, 2022

Letter of Support for the Permit Amendment on behalf of Steel Dynamics Amended TCEQ
Wastewater Discharge Permit

I am an Emeritus Professor of Environmental Engineering at Penn State University. I graduated with a PhD in Environmental Engineering from Rice University in 1974, and performed research and taught in the Environmental Engineering Program at the University of Houston from 1974 to 1992. I consulted on environmental issues for municipalities and industry in Texas concerning treatment and disposal of wastewater to meet State permit requirements. I was a Registered Professional Engineer in the State of Texas from 1971 until 2020. I remain a Registered Professional Engineer in the State of Ohio.

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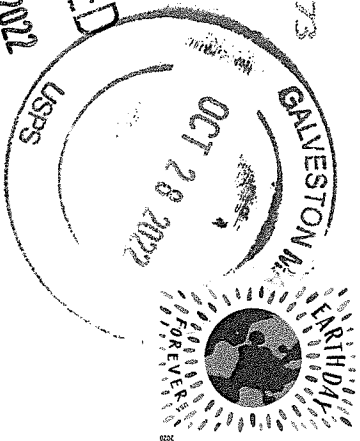
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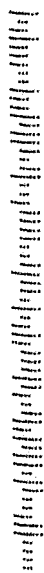
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FROM

NAME: Dennis Hagy

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COMPANY:

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PHONE: 3612157986

FAX:

COMMENTS: As a property owner/resident raising a family within 1 mile of Steel Dynamics, I'm extremely concerned what effect this artificial wetlands will have on neighboring groundwater. These heavy metals that have been deemed harmful to biology WILL in time find their way to my kid's glass of water. This is not acceptable, I oppose.

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Name: Mollie Mauch

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 756

Physical Address (if different): _____

City/State: Goliad Tx Zip: 77963

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