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I, Ruth Perez, just received notification of an impact fee that will be put in place by East Central Special Utility District in the amount of \$3,806 per utility connection.

I have notified TCEQ 2 years ago regarding the application submitted by the CPS Calaveras Plant to allow a Storm\Wastewater\Sewage Drain System in Calaveras Lake which is situated behind my property line.

I am opposed to the decision to approve this Permit without public knowledge, opinion, and input, this will cause a major impact on those who live in the immediate and surrounding area. What happens when patrons become aware of the changes and realize they DO not to have a say in this matter, inevitably altering their environment/landscape, livestock, farms and everyday life that they have become accustomed to, by the construction and effects of this Drainage system? These are people who have established their lives, built their homes, raised their families, crops and livestock who have become dependent on their environment, the people who live here are here for the duration of their lives and want to pass it down to their family members to create a legacy and have some stability they can count on. This permit would surely shatter the goals that most families have worked so hard to fulfill, isn't it bad enough that we have to live with the CPS Plant in our backyard emitting greenhouse gases, ozone-forming nitrogen oxides, and haze-inducing sulfur dioxides, when back in 2011 CEO Doyle Beneby made the decision to shut down the plant. 2018 has gone and passed and never did we get notified as to why they decided not to shut down the other 2 units still in operation, people in this area have not filed any suits yet, hopeful that the promises to relieve us of the emissions that are affecting our health, well being, animals, and crops will carried out as promised.

We deserve a Public Hearing and an accurately detailed Description / Visual Presentation, of what changes will be made, how they propose to make these changes, and all possible negative affects this will have on the

people who reside in the area including the East Central Schools located nearby, and the new subdivisions going up off Casias Rd.

I spoke with several neighbors as well as store owners in the immediate area and nobody received a letter from TCEQ about the application for Permitting the dumping of wastewater/sewage into Calaveras Lake, which has served as a recreational area for fishing and family gathering for many years. The very reason people, such as I, bought land and had a dream of living in this area was for the peace, beautiful untouched scenery, and landscape here which is now threatened again by.

I have a 10-acre property which is in such close proximity to the lake that I will be directly affected by this as well as many others in the area. I bought this property over 12 years ago and never expected that the area would be turned into Wastewater drainage site, which seems is being kept under wraps in order to keep the public from contesting the decision to approve CPS application for Permitting this to take place where many call home.

I live off grid, a decision I made long ago to minimize on the human impact on our deteriorating environment, I don't use any Utilities from East Central SUDS, Bexar County, or City of San Antonio, In essence I am opposed to paying an additional fee for Utility/Water Connection and or Meter that I am NOT using, and for a drainage system that I DO NOT approve of that will ultimately change my habitat and environment.

This matter is something that the public has a right to vote on especially if there will be a fee accessed to those who live in the area and will ultimately be paying for the new Drainage system with added tax dollars out of our thinning pockets.

I would appreciate this matter to be considered and deliberated with much care as you would if you were raising your family in this area, this matter will only raise more questions as disgruntled patrons begin to become aware of how they will be directly affected by something they knew nothing about.

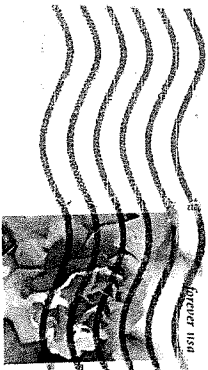
Thank you,

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