

Response to Applicant: JC WATER RESOURCE FACILITY, LLC and

Response to the Executive Director

Date: July 14, 2025

TCEQ Docket No: 2025-0699-MWD

Permit No. WQ0016386001

Response from: Derek and Rebecca Townsend, and Brigitte Townsend

In the applicants response page 4, it states we have not “filed any hearing request after the issuance of Response to Comments.” We did issue an additional response in writing after the hearing request on April 22, 2024 (I have attached it).

The legal right, duty, privilege, power and economic impact to everyone in the Bono Community (the area surrounding where the proposed facility has been requested to be located) is NOT the general public. Our legal right is affected due to the fact that there is no recourse if our wells are affected by this facility, or even if the applicant doesn’t keep the discharge odor or contamination to the allowable levels. The economic impact to all three of us personally as well as the Bono Community (not the general public) is enormous. Having 450 homes come into our area of nothing less than 2 acres is changing the very landscape we came to live here for. We live rurally and are not interested in living in a city or typical neighborhood environment.

I know it was stated that property values would not be considered nor flooding or infrastructure. However, those are economic impacts along with homes offered on smaller acreage changing our landscape. If the facility is allowed, the whole landscape and wildlife changes will impact all of us in that we will need to relocate.

I would like Derek Townsend, Brigitte Townsend, and myself, Rebecca Townsend to be considered an affected person (see page 4 of the Executive Director’s response). We are affected and are not the general public.

I also want to state for the record that the Chief Clerk, Laurie Gharis, told me our responses were already recorded and we did not need to make an additional request for a hearing. If at any time we would have been told that an additional request would need to be made, we would have been happy to make it.

Thank you for allowing us to respond.

Rebecca Townsend

We, Derek and Rebecca Townsend, have already requested a Contested Case Hearing for the following Applicant and permit #. **Please add and consider these additional comments to our formal request for a contested hearing!**

Applicant's Name: JC Water Resource Recovery Facility

Permit #: WQ0016386001

Name(s): Derek and Rebecca Townsend

Address: 977 N County Road 1226, Godley, TX 76044

Phone #: 817-733-8493 and 817-733-5033, respectively

Location/distance of your property/activities to the proposed facility:

Our property is ¾ of a mile from the proposed facility.

Specific Description of how you would be adversely affected by the facility in a way not common to the general public:

We would be directly affected by the smell of the facility, the noise of the facility and possible contamination of our well. Also, our cattle drink from the creek that passes through our property. The land the proposed facility is to be built floods and drains into creeks and ponds that ultimately lead to our creek as well as Lake Pat which is the drinking water for most of Cleburne, TX. The proposed facility is located only 3 miles from Lake Pat and could contaminate the public drinking water supply. See the attached map showing this! Wildlife will also be negatively affected through loss of land and possible water contamination.

If the facility is built along with the other plans, it will cause massive flooding of the surrounding properties and areas including the roads we need to drive on to drive into Cleburne. All residents in the area that own 150 ft of road frontage have the option of getting county water so a facility like this is not needed. All the lands surrounding this area are on septic and wells, even other small subdivisions. A facility like this will negatively affect our quality of life. We bought this land to live peacefully in the country, not be near a wastewater facility. The area is already having water issues which can be confirmed by the Johnson County Public Works Director and our County Commissioner Rick Bailey.

We, along with all area residents have NO RECOURSE or REIMBURSEMENT for our wells if they are contaminated, for our cattle if they get sick or die, for our loss of peace and country atmosphere, or for the smell and loss of property values if this facility is allowed to be built.

