TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



NOTICE OF A PUBLIC MEETING ON AN APPLICATION FOR A WATER USE PERMIT

APPLICATION NO. 13524

Waterstone Creek, LLC seeks authorization to construct and maintain a dam and reservoir on the South Llano River, Colorado River Basin, impounding 12.02 acre-feet of water for recreational purposes in Edwards County. Applicant will utilize a Firm Water Contract with the Lower Colorado River Authority to account for storage in the reservoir. More information on the application and how to participate in the permitting process is given below.

APPLICATION. Waterstone Creek, LLC, Applicant, 11610 Bistro Lane, Houston, Texas 72082, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for a Water Use Permit pursuant to Texas Water Code (TWC) § 11.121 and TCEQ Rules Title 30 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §§ 295.1, *et seq.* Notice was published and mailed to the water rights holders of record in the Colorado River Basin pursuant to Title 30 TAC § 295.151.

Waterstone Creek, LLC seeks authorization to construct and maintain a dam and reservoir on the South Llano River, Colorado River Basin, impounding 12.02 acre-feet of water, for recreational purposes in Edwards County, ZIP code 78880.

The centerline of the dam is located at Latitude 30.253005° N, Longitude 99.954751° W in Edwards County, in Zip Code 78880.

Applicant submitted a Firm Water Contract with the Lower Colorado River Authority to account for storage of state water in the reservoir.

Ownership of the land to be inundated is evidenced by a *General Warranty Deed* dated May 26, 2016, recorded as Volume 347, Page 477 in the Official Records of Edwards County.

The application and fees were received on September 6, 2018. Additional information was received on November 21 and November 26, 2018. The application was declared administratively complete and accepted for filing with the Office of the Chief Clerk on January 10, 2019. Additional information was received on April 16, 2019.

The Executive Director completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit. The draft permit, if granted, would include special conditions including, but not limited to streamflow restrictions. The application, technical memoranda, and Executive Director's draft permit are available for viewing on the TCEQ web page at:

<u>https://www.tceq.texas.gov/permitting/water_rights/wr-permitting/wr-apps-pub-notice</u> Alternatively, you may request a copy of the documents by contacting the TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk by phone at (512) 239-3300 or by mail at TCEQ OCC, Notice Team (MC-105), P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711.

PUBLIC COMMENT / PUBLIC MEETING. You may submit public comments to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. 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 is encouraged to ask questions of the applicant and TCEQ staff concerning the permit application and the Executive Director's recommendations, but the comments and questions submitted orally during the Informal Discussion Period will not be considered by the Commissioners and no formal response will be made. Responses will be provided orally during the Informal Discussion Period. During the Formal Comment Period, members of the public may state their formal comments orally into the official record. The Executive Director will subsequently summarize the formal comments and prepare a written response which will be considered by the Commissioners before they reach a decision on the application. The Executive Director's written response will be available to the public online or upon request. The public comment period on this application concludes at the close of the public meeting.

The Public Meeting is to be held:

Thursday, August 10, 2023 at 6:00 PM Rocksprings ISD School Auditorium 201 North Highway 377 Rocksprings, Texas 78880

Additional information will be available on the agency calendar of events at the following link: <u>https://www.tceq.texas.gov/agency/decisions/hearings/calendar.html</u>.

INFORMATION. Citizens are encouraged to submit written comments anytime during the public meeting. Citizens may mail their comments to the Office of the Chief Clerk, TCEQ, Mail Code MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087 or submit them electronically at http://www14.tceq.texas.gov/epic/eComment/ by entering WRPERM 13524 in the search field before the public comment period closes.

For additional information, individual members of the general public may contact the Public Education Program at 1-800-687-4040. General information regarding the TCEQ can be found at our web site at <u>www.tceq.texas.gov</u>. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040 o por el internet al <u>http://www.tceq.texas.gov</u>.

Persons with disabilities who need special accommodations at the public 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.

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