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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Protecting Texas by Reducing and Preventing Pollution

September 5, 2023

Mr. Nicholas Singleton
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Re: Priority Call in the San Saba Watershed of the Colorado Basin

Dear Mr. Singleton:

On August 28, 2023, you submitted a priority call based on your superior domestic and livestock use in the San Saba watershed, Colorado River Basin to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ). TCEQ conducted an evaluation of the priority call and is not suspending water rights in response to this priority call because there is water at the priority call location.

The evaluation of this priority call included field assessments, which TCEQ conducted on August 30, 2023, and September 1, 2023, at your location and two locations along the San Saba River upstream of your property. Flow measurements and photographs were taken at the time of the assessments and investigators found low flow conditions at the Farm-to-Market Road 2092 crossing on the San Saba River, upstream from your property. Water was present behind the dam located just upstream of your property, the valve of that dam was partially open, and pools were present just downstream of the valve outlet. Large pools of water were observed on your property. Therefore, TCEQ has concluded that there is sufficient water available at your location for beneficial use.

If the river conditions change on your property and you believe a new priority call is warranted, please contact Cain Cline with TCEQ's San Angelo Regional Office at 325-659-6705 or cain.cline@tceq.texas.gov for assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "K Keel". The signature is stylized with a large, bold "K" and a cursive "Keel".

Kelly Keel
Interim Executive Director