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# **Your Comments or Concerns**

I am writing in support of a ban on the discharge of treated wastewater into the last few remaining streams in Texas that are considered pristine. They are pristine because they contain undetectable phosphorous according to TCEQ data on Samples taken over the past 10 years. These streams only account for less than 1% of all classified streams and rivers in the state - sadly! It has been proven that wastewater effluent discharged into rivers causes degradation of water quality, algae blooms which choke out the fisheries and the most significant attribute of a pristine stream - water clarity!

## **Your Proposed Solution**

My stand is not anti development! Again, we are only talking about 22 stream segments out of over 2,500 classified streams and rivers in Texas! There is an alternative to direct discharge into rivers! It is called Texas Land Application Permit, or TLAP. Iam asking that his be the only means permitted for disposing treated wastewater within the watersheds of this small number of pristine streams!

# My Comments Will Be Made Public

Yes