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Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

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Pedernales River Alliance

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Texas

Your Comments or Concerns

It is next to impossible to find out if someone is asking to dump treated sewage into our rivers or a variance from regulations. Grand-fathering is rampant at a time when we should be examining what us being released and restricting additional releases into the river. The Pedernales used to be a

pristine river but under the TCEQ's governance over development and increased pollution are out of control and adversely affecting the condition of our river. All I hear from the county is that there is nothing the county can do. Any regulation or restriction has to come from the state, specifically the TCEQ but the TCEQ does not act with obvious concern for the environment. Instead, they take their lead from the current administration's focus on "bringing more business to Texas" and that is killing us. This agency needs to remember their purpose and start acting to care for our most precious resource - water.

Your Proposed Solution

Put people in charge of this agency who are truly focused on protecting the environment and who are fearless in doing so.

My Comments Will Be Made Public

Yes