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Request for Coverage

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Citizens Oppose SAWS-Val Verde Water Supply Project

What: Citizens from San Antonio, Del Rio, Uvalde, and Kinney County to speak in opposition to the VV Water Supply Project to export water from Val Verde County

**When: SAWS Board Meeting, 9:00 a.m. Monday, November 18, 2013
Public Comment - Citizens To Be Heard, Item #? on the Agenda,
Press Conference in SAWS Lobby immediately following Citizens to Be Heard**

Where: SAWS Boardroom, 2800 U.S. Hwy 281 North

San Antonio Water System (SAWS) is currently considering three proposals to import 50,000 acre feet of water/year for use in San Antonio. In the very near future, the SAWS Board will consider a recommendation from SAWS staff to approve one of these three projects.

One of these projects is V. V. Water Company, LLC's proposal to export ground water from Val Verde and Kinney counties via a pipeline to be built by SAWS for that purpose. On October 22nd, twenty-two organizations and individuals sent a letter to SAWS citing concerns about severe limitations on the availability of groundwater in Val Verde and Kinney counties. These concerns were based on an analysis, *Investigating Water Resources of the Western Edwards-Trinity Aquifer*, conducted by Southwest Research Institute on behalf of Sutton County Underground Water Conservation District, the City of Del Rio, and others. The report calculates annual sustainable yield of groundwater at between 18,000 and 22,600 acre feet of water per year, well below the amount proposed for export to San Antonio.

Quote from someone on impact to Del Rio

Additional quote from someone on impact to Devil's River – other counties.

Representatives of organizations from San Antonio, Del Rio, Uvalde, and Kinney County will voice their concerns during "Citizens to be Heard", requesting that the SAWS Board drop from consideration V. V. Water Company LLC's proposal to supply 50,000 acre/feet per year from Val Verde and Kinney counties.

*Additional Contacts:

Alamo Group of the Sierra Club: ???

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Who else ???

Additional information is available on request, including copies of letters sent to SAWS stating detailed reasons for opposing V.V. Water Company, LLC project.