

Dear GEAA members and friends,

First off, I would like to thank all of you who contacted Senator Donna Campbell about [SB 1918](#) and [SB 1919](#). Your efforts were noted by [Rick Casey](#) and the [Senate State Affairs Committee](#), if not by Senator Campbell herself. Thanks to your calls, our water quality ordinances are safe for another two years. *Now, if we can just get our cities to enforce them.*

The session is wrapping up, but we still need your help on a few items.

Please CALL MONDAY ON HB 3234 by Ritter now moving to [Senate Natural Resources](#), the bill that would make changes to the water rights permitting process that could lessen agency and public scrutiny in ways that would undermine efforts to address environmental, landowner, and other concerns in the permitting process. This Committee is the last stop before it goes to the floor for final vote. Read more [here](#).

Our friends in Hays County need your help in stopping the [Needmore Ranch development](#), which looks like it will need more water than the Trinity Aquifer has to give. This development could imperil the Blanco River, Jacobs Well and Cypress Creek, changing forever the landscape of one of the Hill Country's most beautiful regions. Please take a minute to call your [State Senator](#) to let them know that you oppose [HB 3918](#), as do the Hays County Commissioners and local citizens.



On a happier note, it looks like [HB 2996](#), the bill that would have allowed our streams and rivers to be polluted by nasty sludge, failed. Thank you so much to all of you who called in on this one, and to [Texas Campaign for the Environment](#) for doing the heavy lifting to stop this mess! Yea!!!

I am so impressed with the concerted action of GEAA members, the [Alliance for a Clean Texas](#), and other wonderful organizations in stopping these bad bills. Thank you, and keep up the great work! Our future depends on it.

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