

Honey Creek State Natural Area

Dear GEAA members and friends,

As many of you know, Silesia Properties, LP (developer Kelly Leach) has applied for a permit to discharge up to 500,000 gallons/day of sewage effluent from a <u>wastewater treatment plant</u> in Spring Branch via pipe into "a dry tributary: thence to Honey Creek; thence to the Guadalupe River" near the <u>Honey Creek State Natural Area</u>. You can read more about the project <u>here</u>.

Additionally, another application has been filed to amend a Land Application permit to allow for direct discharge of sewage effluent from 2,000 homes into a dry tributary and hence, into Indian Creek, where it will flow into Cibolo Creek in Comal County.

GEAA would like to join with all interested parties to contest these Comal County permits. **Please join us for an organizing meeting:**

Wednesday, October 17th at 6:p.m. at the GVTC Auditorium

(36101 FM 3159, New Braunfels, Texas)

Please pass this invitation on to everyone you know who is disgusted by the potential damage to our pristine creeks and the Edwards Aquifer. You do not have to live in the area to attend; we will need all the help we can get to oppose these permits.

GEAA has a <u>long history</u> of opposing such <u>permits</u>, and we hope to join with local residents to contest this permit.

Given the proliferation of applications to discharge sewage effluent into Hill Country creeks and rivers, we must to go to the Texas Legislature again to request that they pass <u>legislation that prohibits direct discharge of sewage effluent on the Edwards Aquifer Contributing Zone</u>. If <u>SB 1796 / HB 3036 / HB 3467</u> had passed in 2017, we would not have to fight the Honey Creek, Indian Creek, and Blanco River permits. We are already working hard to get this legislation passed in 2019. You can help by <u>signing a petition</u> calling for a ban on the filthy practice of discharging sewage effluent into waterways that recharge the Edwards Aquifer.

Thanks to the many folks who have already stepped up by submitting comments to TCEQ in opposition to these permits. Working together, we can stop this noxious practice and preserve our Hill Country creeks.

I hope to see you on October 17th!

Stay tuned for more and have a great weekend!

Annalisa Peace

Executive Director
Greater Edwards Aquifer Alliance

You can donate to GEAA <u>on line</u> or mail a check to PO Box 15618, San Antonio, Texas 78212

You can always keep up with interesting water news on **GEAA's Face Book page**