



SENATOR ROLAND GUTIERREZ

DISTRICT 19

Erin E. Chancellor
Executive Director
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
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June 2, 2023

Dear Director Chancellor:

As the Senator for SD 19, I am requesting the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) to deny Permit #WQ0016171001, which would allow Lennar Homes to construct and manage a wastewater facility as a part of the development known as Guajolote Ranch.

TCEQ held a public hearing on the proposed wastewater treatment facility in the headwaters of Helotes Creek as proposed by Lennar Homes at the Guajolote Ranch in the San Antonio ETJ on April 10th. Since that hearing, the City of San Antonio Metropolitan Health District submitted a statement in opposition and the City of Helotes joined the City of Grey Forest in passing a resolution in opposition of the wastewater facility

Citing a lack of conclusive evidence that discharge from the proposed plant would not degrade the quality of the Edwards Aquifer, residents are calling on the TCEQ to deny the applicant, Lennar Homes, a building permit to construct a wastewater plant.

Once these aquifers become contaminated, given the number of people on private wells, impractical and costly water purification treatment would be required before the water would be safe to consume. It would render recreational use of the local waterways unusable.

This project is a threat to public health, safety, and the welfare of my constituents and all those who depend on the Edwards Aquifer.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Roland Gutierrez".

Roland Gutierrez
State Senator, SD 19



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