

Jacob Veauhn

From: Jacob Veauhn on behalf of Records Clerk
Sent: Monday, January 24, 2022 11:55 AM
To: 'Bruce and Becky Rougraff'
Cc: Consumer Contact
Subject: RE: Docket# 20200226-SU

Good Morning, Bruce and Rebecca Rougraff

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket 20200226, and the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach will be notified.

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From: Bruce and Becky Rougraff <brougraff@aol.com>
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I am writing to you regarding the new sewer proposal for Palm Island. I am not sure why this proposal has come into existence, as I don't know of anyone on Palm Island who is unhappy with our current situation. I don't know of anyone who has requested that we change to sewers on the island. I am gravely concerned about the damage this will do to our beautiful island. Further I am extremely concerned about the expense of this project and how members of our community will pay for it. Skyrocketing property taxes already make living in Florida much more difficult than it used to be. And other issues/expenses arising with having a home on a barrier island make it a very expensive place to live. Adding a gigantic sewer project to this seems unnecessary and financially catastrophic for many of us. We are not a super wealthy island like many barrier islands in Florida. We are a quiet island that has kept things low key. We have done a decent job of keeping the money out, and have protected ourselves and our wildlife from much of the craziness going on these days. If there is concern about the age of our septic tanks, a program is easily established ensuring that we have our tanks maintained and checked on a regular basis. We are all more than willing to do this to protect our beautiful island!!!!

Because the costs and reasons for this monster project have not been laid out to us, this feels like it's being rammed down our throats. Typical government project. People have no say anymore!

For all of these reasons, we humbly request that you shelf this project, please! We don't want it!

Bruce and Rebecca Rougraff
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