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From: Antonia Hover on behalf of Records Clerk
Sent: Monday, January 4, 2021 5:06 PM
To: 'Holly Conover-Wade'
Cc: Consumer Contact
Subject: RE: Docket 20200226-SU

Good Afternoon, Ms. Conover-Wade.

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket No. 20200226, and forwarding them to the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach.

Thank you!

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Re: Docket 20200226-SU

I am writing on behalf of the Preserve of Don Pedro Owners Association located on Don Pedro Island. We wish to object to the proposed sewer project, the inadequate notice of any hearing on the project and the complete lack of any cost estimate.

First, I would echo the comments made by our neighbors in the Cape Haze Property Owners Association. Notice of a hearing on this project has been grossly inadequate, the cost to property owners has not been revealed and the experience, technical ability and financial strength of the proposed developer and utility operator is a mystery.

Past proposals to connect the island to a mainland sewer system have been rejected for a multitude of reasons:

- 1). Population on the islands does not warrant the cost to property owners
- 2). There is no evidence that current septic systems are causing environmental issues.
- 3). The number of full time residents on the islands doesn't warrant scrapping current septic systems. In the Preserve there are no full time residents.
- 4). The potential for environmental disaster caused by leaky sewer pipes running under the intercoastal waterway is too great a risk for any nominal benefit.

In every survey of affected residents the response has been overwhelmingly against sewer projects. So why is this one being proposed? Residents don't want it. There is no proof that the current septic systems are causing ecological damage. I would suggest this is an attempt by the owners of Environmental Utilities, LLC to enrich themselves at the expense of home owners.

Respectfully yours,

Holly Conover-Wade
President