

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS Edwards County contains much of the Upper Nueces River (segment 2112) and the Llano River (segment 1415); and

WHEREAS The pristine streams within Edwards County support the region's visitor and recreation-based economy; and

WHEREAS These streams are clear and pristine because they carry little or no nutrients, such as phosphorous; and

WHEREAS Even the best treated domestic wastewater direct discharge carries levels of nutrients, including phosphorus, that far exceed the natural levels found in these streams; and

WHEREAS The addition of nutrients, like phosphorus, to these pristine streams will degrade water quality and may result in algal blooms, fish kills and interruption of recreational use, and

WHEREAS These streams can be protected by prohibiting direct discharge of treated domestic wastewater within their drainages and instead requiring alternative means of disposal through land application, reuse or other means, and

WHEREAS The Edwards County Commissioners Court recognizes the value of these pristine streams to the environment and economy of Edwards County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE EDWARDS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT THAT

The Edwards County Commissioners Court hereby supports the petitioned Texas Commission on Environmental Quality rule change (2022-1075-PET) prohibiting the agency from authorizing the discharge of treated domestic wastewater pollutants into any creeks and streams located with the drainage area of the Nueces and Llano Rivers.

APPROVED BY THE EDWARDS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT THIS THE 8th DAY OF March, 2022.


Olga Lydia Reyes
EDWARDS COUNTY CLERK


Souli Asa Shanklin
EDWARDS COUNTY
JUDGE

