

Sample letter on proposed pipeline:

Dear

(Judge Cobb and County Commissioners)

(Mayor Thurber and Wimberley City Council Members)

(Dear Mayor Steinert and Woodcreek Council Members)

(etc.)

Please support the removal, from the Region K and Region L plans, of the proposed massive water pipelines being routed from eastern Hays County – through central Hays – to northern Hays County.

Building such a huge pipeline, far larger than Hays County projections say would be required for decades, would mean great and unnecessary cost increases to current and future property owners in central Hays. It would require massive new subdivision developments in central Hays County to pay for the building and continued functioning of the pipeline, its maintenance and support staffing, and would require importing thousands of customers for the water.

Such over-development not only would destroy the prized rural nature of the area, but would greatly reduce the already slow recharge of the Trinity Aquifer, the area's essential and already challenged source of water for thousands of existing wells and land owners. While the negative impact would not be as immediately extreme as in the recent Electro Purification threat, it could impact far more private and public wells and property owners as development expands.

The massive pipeline also contradicts Hays County's own far less expensive and more practical recommendations in the Hays County Water and Wastewater Plan that the use of water conservation and rainwater collection should be promoted and expanded in the area.

There is no infrastructure in Central Hays County to support a pipeline of this size – or the massive new development and population increase it would force. A far better plan for all is routing the pipeline through already developed urban and transportation corridors where it would use existing infrastructure and would be beneficial and welcome.

Please oppose proposals for a massive new water pipeline through central Hays County.

Thank you,