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From: Dan Hedges <dan.hedges@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Sunday, April 3, 2022 10:46 AM
To: Water Draft Permit Comment
Subject: RE: Discharge Permit Number AR0053210, AFIN 60-05010

Dear Mr. Khan,

My name is Dan Hedges and I live on Twin Mountain Lane, Roland Arkansas. Back in 2015, Rick Ferguson attempted to build a high density development with an above ground wastewater treatment plant dumping the treated waste water into Nowlin Creek. Our neighborhood Association worked hard to oppose this development and the issue went before the Little Rock Board of Directors where our group prevailed. Our argument focus on the health issue involving the algae blooms that the treated water creates and the impact these blooms have on the environment. We submitted documented evidence of the algae blooms in Nowlin Creek that are currently a problem from the Alotian development at this LR Board meeting. We had scientists and physicians testify to the dangers of algae blooms on local wildlife, livestock, pets and people. Rick Ferguson developed Water View Estates with a treatment plant that is located next to this new project. Water View Estates treatment plant has been out of compliance ever year since it went online. Mr. Ferguson is planning on multiple developments in the area of Hwy 300. The problem with pools of algae blooms will only grow larger if developments are allowed to continued using dysfunctional treatment plants. For the record, I am not against Rick Ferguson rights to develop his property in a responsible manner. He needs to build in this area to meets the current infrastructure that is established. I ask that ADEQ deny the permit for the sewage treatment facility for Paradise Valley and I also request a public hearing on this issue. Mill Bayou is a protected Water of the United States and a source of life-giving water for animals and people within the Mill Bayou Watershed and therefore is not an appropriate use as a sewage pipe which will poison our waters and threaten our health. This developer is documented to be a "bad actor" with ADEQ and should not be allowed to install yet another failed sewage facility in Roland on Mill Bayou and not especially when the developer has other options.

Sincerely,

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