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# Rebekah Lynn Davis (R)

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Caleb Osborne  
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Dear Mr. Osborne,

I represent Pulaski County residents in District 1, which includes Roland, and am fully engaged with the concerns of my constituents. Having followed the Paradise Valley NPDES permit process for several months, I am well aware of the issues including the looming environmental disaster if this is approved.

When our new Governor Sarah Huckabee Sanders took the reins of this great state, she gave us all great hopes about our future including the safeguarding and enjoyment of “clean air, land, and water”, precious resources we have all come to expect here in Arkansas the Natural State and perhaps sometimes take for granted. In her speech announcing your appointment, she continued her statement by saying “We must continue to responsibly protect these precious resources – which is why I am proud to be appointing Caleb Osborne to serve as DEQ Director and Chief Administrator of Environment...we will keep our state beautiful for generations of Arkansans to enjoy.”

Many residents of Roland, which also includes her own parents Governor Mike & Janet Huckabee, entrust her as they entrust you to follow through on this promise because what happens here will set the precedent and the standard for similar poorly run sewage facilities. Developers will take advantage of living outside city limits for cheaper land and fewer code restrictions to “leap-frog” into areas where they will break the backs of the community, empowered by ADEQ, and pollute their streams, their drinking water, and decrease the value of enjoyable and healthy living. This should not be the Arkansas of our futures.

Consider instead that you can deny this permit for many reasons (technical, environmental, excessive flooding, and more). Don't reward bad behavior and leave Roland to drown in stormwater and multiple poorly run sewage plants. Deny this permit and send the developer back to the Planning Board where he can submit what Paradise Valley (aka Saddle Ranch) was originally: Lots with more acreage using septic.

Sincerely,

Rebekah L. Davis

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