

RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSIONER'S COURT OF BASTROP COUNTY, TEXAS, IN OPPOSITION TO THE LAND APPLICATION OF SEWAGE SLUDGE BY DENALI WATER SOLUTIONS LLC, TCEQ APPLICATION PERMIT NO. WQ0005197000

WHEREAS, the Bastrop County Commissioners Court is the governing body of the County of Bastrop, Texas, a subdivision of the State of Texas and has statutory authority to protect the health, safety and welfare of its citizens; and,

WHEREAS, Denali Water Solutions LLC has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for a permit to apply an average of seven (7) dry tons per acre of wastewater treatment plant sludge, a Class B bio-solid, per year on 2000 acres of land in Bastrop County for a permit period of five (5) years; and,

WHEREAS, the disposal of Class B sewage sludge on lands within Bastrop County has a high potential for negatively impacting the health, safety and welfare of our citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the disposal of sewage sludge on lands within the County may have a negative effect on property values in the area, and,

WHEREAS, the transporting of this volume of Class B wastewater sludge over County roadways will cause extraordinary wear and tear on the roads and create the potential for spills of toxic materials; and

WHEREAS, the proposed site of this sludge disposal permit is on Cedar Creek, a tributary to the Colorado River and over the outcrop (recharge zone) of the Hooper and Wilcox aquifers; and,

WHEREAS, pollutants, including heavy metals and pathogens and synthetic chemicals and pharmaceuticals, in the sludge may leach into ground water or run off into surface waters or surrounding water wells resulting in pollution, vector breeding and other negative impacts to our citizens and our natural resources,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF BASTROP COUNTY OPPOSES THE PERMIT APPLICATION REFERENCED HEREIN, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Bastrop County Commissioners Court pleads, on behalf of the safety, health and welfare of our citizens, that the TCEQ deny said permit application; and,

FINALLY, BE IT RESOLVED that the County Judge of Bastrop County is authorized to deliver this RESOLUTION to the TCEQ and to the City of Austin and to represent Bastrop County in all proceedings to oppose the issuance of said permit.

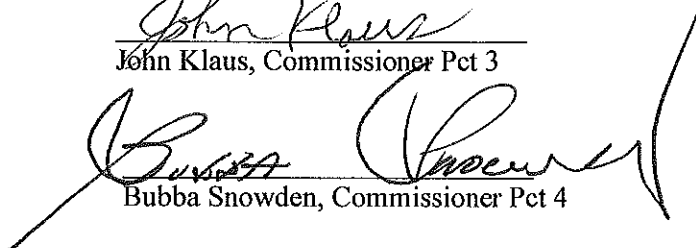
PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF THE COUNTY OF BASTROP, TEXAS on July 11, 2016 by a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays,


Paul Pape, County Judge


Willie Piña, Commissioner Pct 1


John Klaus, Commissioner Pct 3


Clara Beckett, Commissioner Pct 2


Bubba Snowden, Commissioner Pct 4

Attest:  Rose Pietsch, County Clerk