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June 7, 2016

The Honorable Ken Schawe
Judge of the Caldwell County Court
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Lockhart, TX 78644

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Dear Judge Schawe:

Thank you for Caldwell County's participation on the San Marcos River Task Force.

You may be aware that in February 2015, during the 84th Legislative Session, two companies (Texas State Tubes LLC and RKY Ltd) that operate tube rental businesses on the San Marcos River reached a "Memorandum of Understanding" (the February 2015 MOU) regarding river cleanup, security, and related matters. The February 2015 MOU (which was signed March 13, 2015) covers an approximately three-mile area of the river east of San Marcos where these companies do business.

On May 20, 2015, Texas State Tubes and Don's Fish Camp provided to the House Committee on Special Purpose Districts, in that committee's hearing on Senate Bill 234, a document entitled "Proposed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Between Texas State Tubes LLC and RKY Ltd. and the Counties of Caldwell and Guadalupe" (the Proposed MOU). The Proposed MOU was intended to reaffirm and enhance the commitments made in the February 2015 MOU, and to provide "specific assurances to Caldwell and Guadalupe Counties, affected river residents and members of the Texas Legislature".

In particular, the Proposed MOU provided for: a budget of a maximum of \$3.00 per tubing patron, allowing a total budget of \$210,000 "for additional law enforcement and emergency services"; monthly or quarterly reports to Caldwell County; an enhanced law enforcement plan; organizations and funding of cleanup activities; and a property owner hotline, or alternatively, funding to the county sheriff's offices to staff for 211 calls. The copy of the Proposed MOU received by TPWD was not signed by Caldwell County.

To aid in the mission of the Task Force, it would be greatly appreciated if you could provide to me, or arrange to provide, records of Caldwell County related to the February 2015 MOU and the Proposed MOU. This would include:

- The "full report" regarding "river cleanup, security, and communication/awareness activities" mentioned in the February 2015 MOU that was to be submitted to Caldwell County by September 30, 2015;
- A signed copy of the Proposed MOU;
- The monthly or quarterly reports referenced in the Proposed MOU;

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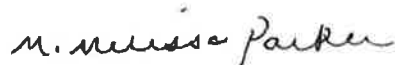
- Any records of financial assistance provided to Caldwell County by Texas State Tubes or Don's Fish Camp; and
- Any other available records related to the February 2015 MOU or the Proposed MOU.

So that this information can be considered at the scheduled August 1, 2016 Task Force meeting, I am hopeful of receiving this information by July 15, 2016.

In addition, the agenda for the August 1, 2016 Task Force meeting will include an opportunity for Caldwell County to make a presentation and answer questions regarding its experience with the February 2015 MOU and the Proposed MOU.

Thanks very much for your help.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Melissa Parker".

Melissa Parker
River Conservation Program Leader