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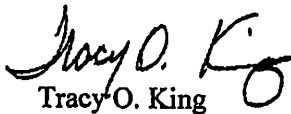
Dear Mr. Ruiz:

The drought restrictions and trigger levels placed in the Edwards Aquifer Recovery Implementation Program are designed to foster spring flow at the Comal and San Marcos springs as well as some other smaller springs in that area. Serious questions have arisen regarding the trigger levels at the J-17 well in San Antonio and the J-27 well in Uvalde. At this time the springs are flowing very well and yet Uvalde County is preparing to enter Stage 5 water restrictions and the San Antonio pool is in Stage 2.

Additionally, there are concerns that the historical well readings at the J-27 well in Uvalde were artificially inflated by the migration of other aquifers into the well casing and caused erroneous readings over a period of many years. Since the trigger levels were based on those historical readings it is obvious that some adjustments should be made. More importantly, if the springs are flowing well, neither community should be subject to the water restrictions mandated in Stage 2 and certainly not to the draconian water restrictions in Stage 5.

Please do all that you can to stop the implementation of these severe water restrictions in light of the healthy spring flows in the Comal and San Marcos springs. Both spring flow levels and well readings should be taken into account when determining drought restrictions.

Respectfully,


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