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Dear Railroad Commissioners,

I am deeply concerned about the potential impact on groundwater quality, as well as wildlife and air quality in Texas, due to the insufficient standards in the current draft of Statewide Rule 8 concerning waste pits. It is crucial to reinstate the standards for reserve pits and mud circulation pits that were part of the October 2023 draft to protect our groundwater resources.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Steve Bills