Richard Egg

I am a resident of Salado, in Bell County. Bell County is experiencing rapid growth and development, as is much of Central Texas. Much of this growth is over the northern extent of the Edwards Balcones Fault Zone Aquifer. A number of developments have received or are projected to request wastewater discharge permits into the Salado Creek watershed which is over this aquifer. This wastewater discharge is almost certain to raise the pollutant concentration in the aquifer below the discharge endangering the quality of the many domestic wells that draw from this aquifer.

I am requesting that the TCEQ begin the process to evaluate extend the Edwards Aquifer Protection Program to the Edwards Balcones Fault Zone Aquifer in Bell County before it becomes a pollution problem.

Once the aquifer is contaminated, cleanup may be nearly impossible.

I fully support Dirk Aaron's comments on this issue.