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I live in the Commons on Lake Houston and my property backs up to the East Fork of the San Jacinto. I have witnessed a significant increase in sand coming down the river since early 2024. I understand a dike broke on a sand pit upstream of us. I noted about 2" of silt deposited across what used to be an island, across our North park and completely buried the boat ramp. Now these are niceties, but I have to wonder what the continued flow through the sand pit is doing to the river, future flood control, future dredging costs.. etc. When a dam breaks, it means the owner has not taken proper measures and should face penalties such as daily/weekly fines until the repair is implemented. Why is this not enforced?

Where are your BMPs that address:

>>Discharge of sediment-laden water

>>Pit capture (when a river starts flowing through a mine)

>>Periodic flooding.