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Director of Public Information Office
Texas Department of Transportation
125 E. 11th Street
Austin, Texas 78701

Re: Open Records Request

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Pursuant to the Texas Open Records Act, I request the following information from the Texas Department of Transportation ("TxDOT"):

1. All policies, guidelines, or other matters providing criteria or generally advising or guiding TxDOT and its commissioners, officers, staff, employees, and agents regarding permitting highway rights of way to be fenced or otherwise blocked at navigable streams, thereby impeding, in whole or in part, public access to the streams or requiring the public to cross a fence or other enclosure to gain access to the streams.
2. All policies, guidelines, or other matters providing criteria or generally advising or guiding TxDOT and its commissioners, officers, staff, employees, and agents regarding rights of the public to cross fences or other enclosures blocking, in whole or in part, public access to navigable streams.
3. All agreements, correspondence, memoranda, permits, licenses, or other documents pertaining to a fence across the Highway 87 right of way at the Llano River south of Mason.
4. All agreements, correspondence, memoranda, permits, licenses, or other documents pertaining to a fence across the Highway 80 right of way at the Guadalupe River south of Belmont.

Texas Government Code § 552.267 provides that fees for open records requests should be waived if the request is in the public interest. Our request is aimed at preserving public access to public streams at public rights of way, a matter squarely within the public interest. Accordingly, we request that fees be waived. If they are not waived, rather than mailing the amount of fees to the post office box above, we ask that you mail notice of the fees to 2294 Puter Creek Road, Spring Branch, Texas 78070. We will be able to respond more quickly to mail at that address.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Kathy Cusick
President