

Subject: Western Wake Partners FEIS

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Dear Mr. Wicker,

I am writing in reference to the Western Wake Regional Waste Water Treatment Facility. The Final EIS does not accurately reflect the number of gallons of raw sewage spilled by Wake County towns. For example:

Section 4, Environmental Consequences, Table 4-2: Number of SSOs and Gallons Spilled for NC Public Utilities for FY2007

Shown in the table is data showing Raleigh had 494,860 gallons spilled.

A Jan 7, 2008 article in The News & Observer (Sewage spills could bring fines up to \$25,000 daily) states:

"Nearly 4 million gallons of untreated sewage spewed from cracked and clogged Raleigh pipes in 2007..."

The article can be found here:

<http://newhillca.org/wwdocs/Sewage%20spills%20could%20bring%20fines.pdf>

This is significantly more gallons spilled than shown in Table 4-2.

This is an example of poor workmanship by USACE and their consultants, and leads one to believe this is an attempt to cover up the huge number of gallons of raw sewage that are spilled each year; and is one more reason the Final EIS should be rejected.

Sincerely,

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