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Dear Mr. Blaisdell,

Three million gallons of raw sewage has just been spilled into Wake County streams and lakes and continues to dump thousands of gallons per hour due to brakeage of a Cary sewage line. Cary is working furiously to contain the current spill. Where is their mitigation plan?

Cary has spilled millions of gallons over the past years. Spills are a certainty. The Western Wake Partners (WWP) are proposing to pump raw sewage over thirteen miles with 3.7 million gallons of raw sewage in the pipes at any given time through trails, farms, private homes with wells, fields, and live stock drinking ponds, to a New Hill sewage plant. With Cary's history of blatant disregard, abuse and disrespect to the well being of their neighbors, it does not foster trust that they would make similar attempts to correct spills anywhere along the 13 plus miles of pipeline. How much safer and environmentally sound to treat the sewage near the source and pump the effluent along that distance, rather than pumping raw sewage that distance and then pumping the effluent back to sell for watering lawns and golf courses in Cary and other WWP towns. Cary cannot safely pump short distances without spills. What audacity to say they could safely pump it 13 miles and not contaminate private wells, ponds, and live stock, who have no back up source of water. We ask DENR to reject the Draft EIS. This is an atrocity.

I urge you to deny the permit for the Western Wake Partners regional sewage plant until it is moved to a more suitable site.

Sincerely,

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