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From: Jon Kleinheksel, Director of Public Works

Re: SEP Application Addendum

Sharon,

Per our conversation of March 23, 2010 here is the supplemental information you requested concerning the environmental benefit aspect of our SEP application. As you as aware, Collin County Public Works proposed cleaning the Lake Lavon Dump Site. Reconstituting this parcel would yield many benefits, both aesthetic and tangible. Once cleaned, the land would be sold at County auction (but not for profit) to a new owner capable of caring for and perhaps building on the land. This raises the appeal and charm of not only that parcel but the neighborhood as a whole and increases land values.

In addition, remediation of this site will remove from the community the dangers and health threats associated with illegal trash dumps which contaminate air and water, and harbor disease carrying animals and insects. Cleanup would also reduce the impact of solid waste on our environment and diminish the threat of pollution caused by chemicals leaching from the debris and materials. The property in question is in close proximity to Lake Lavon which serves as the primary water source for 13 cities in north central Texas. Cleanup would protect against contamination from this site of the ground water and Lake Lavon tributaries and reduce potential threat to wildlife as well as swimmers and bathers in the lake.

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