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Southwest Georgia Oil Company Inc.

Mr. Mike Harrel CEO/Chairman & Ms. Glennie Bench CFO

The working group formed from the Friends of Wakulla Springs, Wakulla Springs Alliance and the Down River Project with support from their respective organizations recommendation for fuel storage for the retail operation is above ground storage tanks, (ASTs).

The AST shall comply with all requirements outlined in FL CHAPTER 62-762 ABOVEGROUND STORAGE TANK SYSTEMS.

In addition to chapter 62-762 requirements The AST will have:

* Tertiary 110% containment around the AST.
* All piping for the pump islands will comply with chapter 62-762 plus be contained in a 3rd chaise pipe.
* Stormwater system will be designed to include an oil/water separator for runoff from the site.

The land purchase funded by the State of Florida is intended to protect in perpetuity Wakulla Springs and the Chips Hole Cave. It is designed to relocate a proposed fuel station from development over the cave system. This recommendation of ASTs is made based on the best interest of Wakulla Springs, Chips Hole and associated cave system and the aquafer protection.

It should be noted that the representative organization feel strongly, that due to the proximity to the cave system and the karst geology of the area in question, that the best option to protect the Wakulla Springs, the Chips Hole Cave system and associated aquifer is to have no gas station built on these properties. The mitigation of the relocation of the proposed gas station and ASTs is the next best option for the protection of the Wakulla Springs, the Chips Hole Cave system and associated aquifer. *Should the owner choose to go ahead with their plans for building a gas station, they shall take full responsibility for any failure of their tanks or any petroleum leakage or run off into the aquifer, spring, or cave system.*

Respectfully,

Anthony Gaudio representing the Wakulla Springs Alliance

Renee Murray representing the Friends of Wakulla Springs

Gil Damon, representing the Down River Project





