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Re: Petition for Administrative Hearing - OGC File No. 24-2402 (Gissy Springs LLC)

Dear Sir or Madam,

I am writing to formally petition for an administrative hearing concerning the draft Consent Order issued to Gissy Springs LLC regarding the unauthorized construction of a fence and gate that restricts access to Indian Creek Springs. As an avid paddler and frequent visitor to this area, I am deeply concerned about the implications of this order on public access and enjoyment of these natural resources.

My name is John Doe, and I have been paddling in the Rainbow Springs Aquatic Preserve for several years. I cherish the opportunity to experience the scenic beauty of Indian Creek and often paddle up to the Indian Creek Springs area. However, I find it disappointing and frustrating that access is now restricted due to the fence installed by Gissy Springs LLC, preventing me and other members of the public from fully enjoying the spring.

I believe that the construction of this barrier limits public access to an area that has been historically open for recreational use. It disrupts the natural paddling experience and sets a concerning precedent for private restrictions on Florida's publicly cherished waterways.

Given the impact this restriction has on my use of the waterway and my interest in maintaining open access to these waters, I respectfully request a hearing to address the concerns outlined in the draft Consent Order. I am asking the Department to reconsider allowing this structure, as it significantly affects paddlers and other recreational users of this waterway.

Thank you for considering this petition. I look forward to participating in the hearing process and hope that the Department will take steps to ensure that public access to Indian Creek Springs remains protected.

Sincerely,

John Doe