

FOUNTAIN GROVE SPRINGS

FOUNTAIN GROVE SPRINGS – MEANSVILLE, GA

**A SUSTAINABLE NATURAL SPRING
DEVELOPMENT**

**PRESENTED BY JODY TODD –
CEO**

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INTRODUCTION – WHO WE ARE



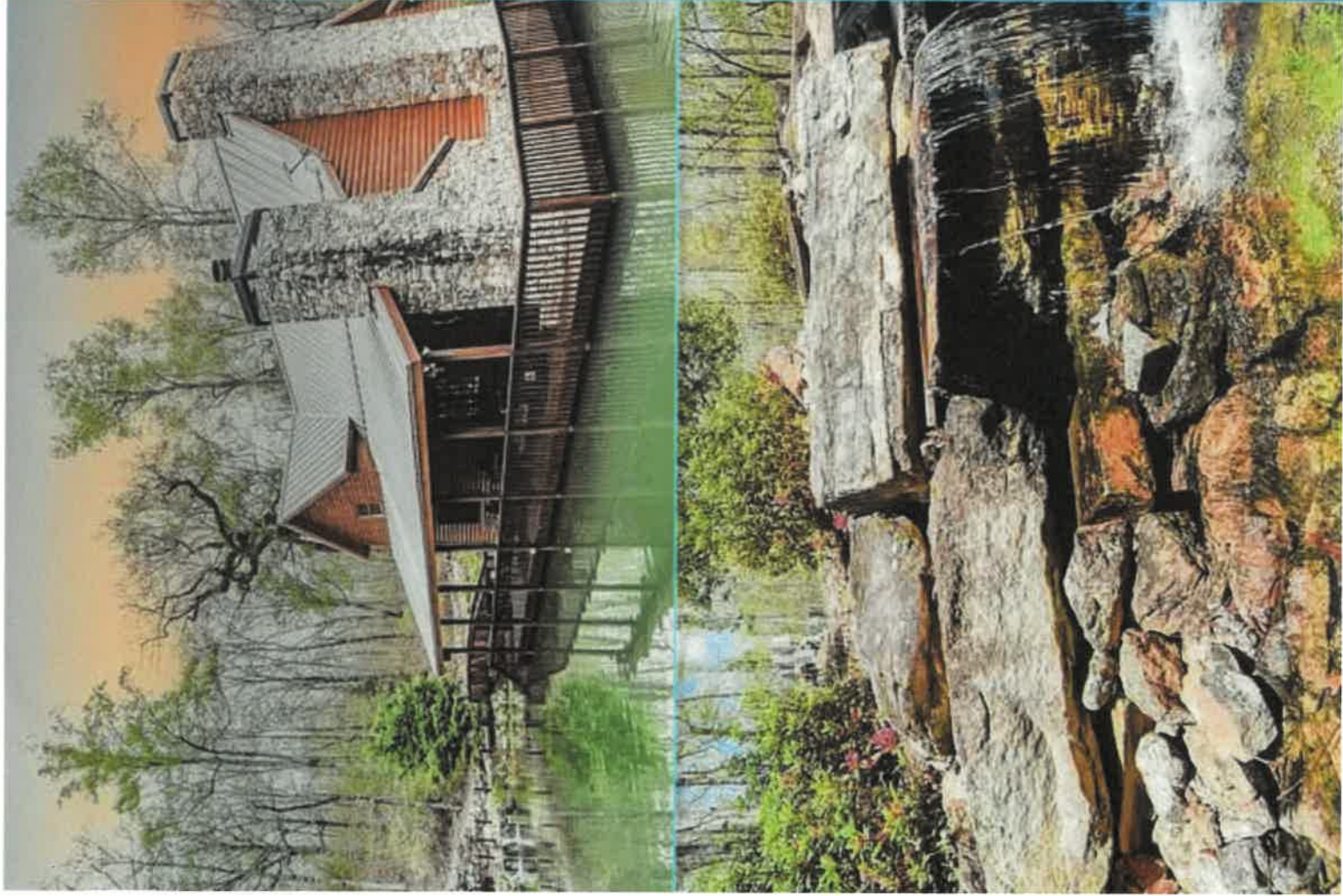
- Overview of Aqua Logistics / Rolling Hills Springs
- Family-founded, community-driven values
- Personal, approachable tone rooted in integrity



OUR STORY & TRACK RECORD

- From Walnut Grove → Rolling Hills → Fountain Grove / Meansville
- 25+ years in natural spring and logistics work
- Emphasis on safety, sustainability, reliability
- 800+ Loads hauled per week nationally
- 5 million gallons of spring water delivered per week
- 140 drivers and 20 members in management





THE MEANSVILLE PROPERTY

- 770 acres with pristine natural features
- Commitment to preserve and sustain the property's natural beauty and resources
- Drawn to the strong community and family values



WHY MEANSVILLE:

- Chosen for pristine aquifer, ideal elevation, and geology
- Strategic location within existing logistics network and customer base
- Site selected for long-term stewardship, not exploitation
- Excited to support local schools, churches, 4-H and youth programs



SUSTAINABLE OPERATIONS PLAN

- Low-impact extraction and continuous monitoring
- Groundwater recharge reinvestment and vegetation preservation
- Compliance with New York state regulations, IBWA, and other environmental standards and regulations



ECONOMIC BENEFITS TO THE COUNTY

- Annual tax contribution: ~\$750,000
- Job creation: direct and indirect local employment- Estimated 15 drivers and 5 support staff and management
- Support for local economy: fuel, tires, fleet maintenance, restaurants, supplies
- Emphasis on long-term stability, not short-term profit



COMMUNITY COMMITMENT

- Good Neighbors Initiative:
Supporting local schools,
churches, civic projects
- Ongoing donations and
sponsorships to community
programs
- Faith, family, and community
partnership focus



OUR DAY TO DAY OPERATIONS - SAFE, QUIET AND RESPONSIBLE



- Structured hours and designated truck routes to ensure safety and consistency
- Noise, lighting, and traffic carefully managed to protect neighborhood peace
- Minimal impact to residents and local roads
- Modeled after proven, community-friendly operations at multiple sites

ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP & SUSTAINABLE WATER MANAGEMENT

- Every gallon is tracked, tested, and reported to state environmental authorities
- Sustainable draw practices ensure recharge always exceeds removal
- Routine collaboration with DNR and local agencies for full transparency
- Real time monitoring and public reporting on water quality and flow



TESTIMONIALS / REFERENCES

- “You’d hardly know they are operating down the road—they have been great neighbors.”
 - Local Resident near Walnut Grove Spring
- “Aqua Logistics has supported our youth fundraiser every year since they arrived—they genuinely care”
 - Community Volunteer, Greene County, Ind.
- “Professional, courteous, and responsive—they run things the right way.”
 - Greene County Commissioner

FAMILY & VALUES



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'We're not outsiders. We're families, just like yours — raising kids, supporting our communities, and caring about the land God gave us.'

CLOSING & INVITATION TO PARTNER

- A sustainable, transparent project with proven results and long-term community benefits
- Committed to being a reliable local partner and economic contributor
- 'We look forward to working with Meansville, not just in Meansville.'
- We are not strangers we are just neighbors who haven't met yet



SUPPLEMENTAL DATA & RESEARCH

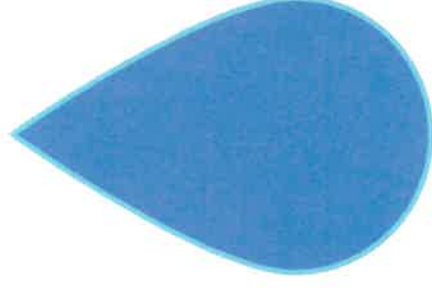
MICHAEL AMSBAUGH, PG, CPG

- As a Principal Hydrogeologist and business owner with over 35 years of experience in water resources and environmental management, Mr. Amsbaugh specializes in delivering high-quality technical solutions for diverse clients. He holds a Bachelor's degree in Geology and a Master's degree in Hydrogeology from East Carolina University.
- Mr. Amsbaugh is a licensed Professional Geologist in Georgia, North Carolina, and Pennsylvania, with inactive licenses in Mississippi and South Carolina. He also holds the national designation of Certified Professional Geologist (CPG) through the American Institute of Professional Geologists. Since 2023, he has served as a Director on the Science and Engineering Board of the National Ground Water Association (NGWA), contributing technical and policy guidance to advance professional standards in groundwater science and engineering.

MICHAEL AMSBAUGH, PG, CPG CONTINUED

- Professional Experience
- **1985–2005 | Military Service - U.S. Army**
- Retired from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers with extensive background in water resources management and environmental compliance, including planning, design, and field operations.
- **2005–2020 | Senior Natural Resources Manager – Bottled Water Industry**
- Served in senior technical and management roles with Suntory Water, DS Waters of America, and Primo Brands.
- Managed a nationwide water resource program encompassing the development and operation of multiple natural spring, artesian, and well water sources across the U.S. and Canada.
- Responsibilities included groundwater exploration and development, project management, supply and demand forecasting, technical documentation, stewardship, and regulatory compliance.
- **2020–2023 | Senior Consultant – Santis Environmental and Water Resources**
- Provided consulting services to major bottled water producers, focusing on:
- Groundwater exploration and development, drilling oversight, water quality assessment, permitting, and project management.
- **2023–Present | Principal and Owner – Paso Bellah Consulting**
- Founder and owner of Paso Bellah Consulting, specializing in water resource management and bottled water consulting.
- Works directly with bottled water companies to address complex water resource challenges, including spring source development, permitting, sustainability and stewardship, and long-term utilization strategies.

LEGAL AUTHORITY TO WITHDRAW WATER & AREA IMPACT ANALYSIS



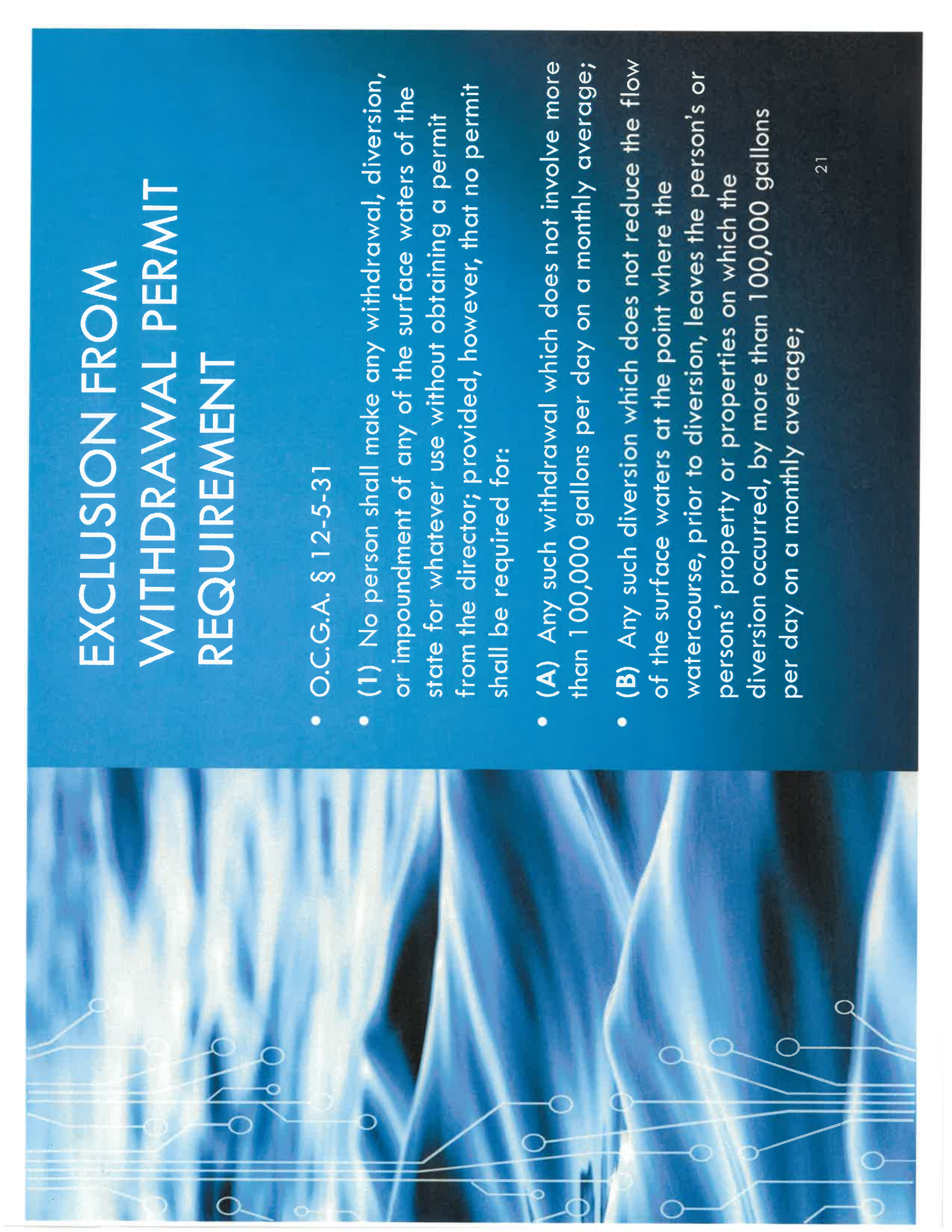
SURFACE WATER FOR GENERAL OR FARM USE (STATUTORY DEFINITION) :

- O.C.G.A. § 12-5-31:
- For purposes of this Code section, the term:
- (2) “Diversion” means a turning aside or altering of the natural course of surface waters.
- (5) “Surface water(s) of the state” or “surface water(s)” means any and all rivers, streams, creeks, branches, lakes, reservoirs, ponds, drainage systems, springs producing in excess of 100,000 gallons per day, and all other bodies of surface water, natural or artificial, lying within or forming a part of the boundaries of the state which are not entirely confined and retained completely upon the property of a single individual, partnership, or corporation.
- (6) “Withdrawal” means the taking away of surface water from its natural course.

PROPERTY OWNER'S RIGHT TO USE WATER (STATUTORY AUTHORITY)

O.C.G.A. § 44-8-3
Exclusive possession by
owner of non-navigable
streams; interference by
legislature with lawful
use.

The owner of a non-navigable stream is entitled to the same exclusive possession of the stream as he has of any other part of his land. The legislature has no power to compel or interfere with the owner's lawful use of the stream, for the benefit of those above or below him on the stream, except to restrain nuisances.



EXCLUSION FROM WITHDRAWAL PERMIT REQUIREMENT

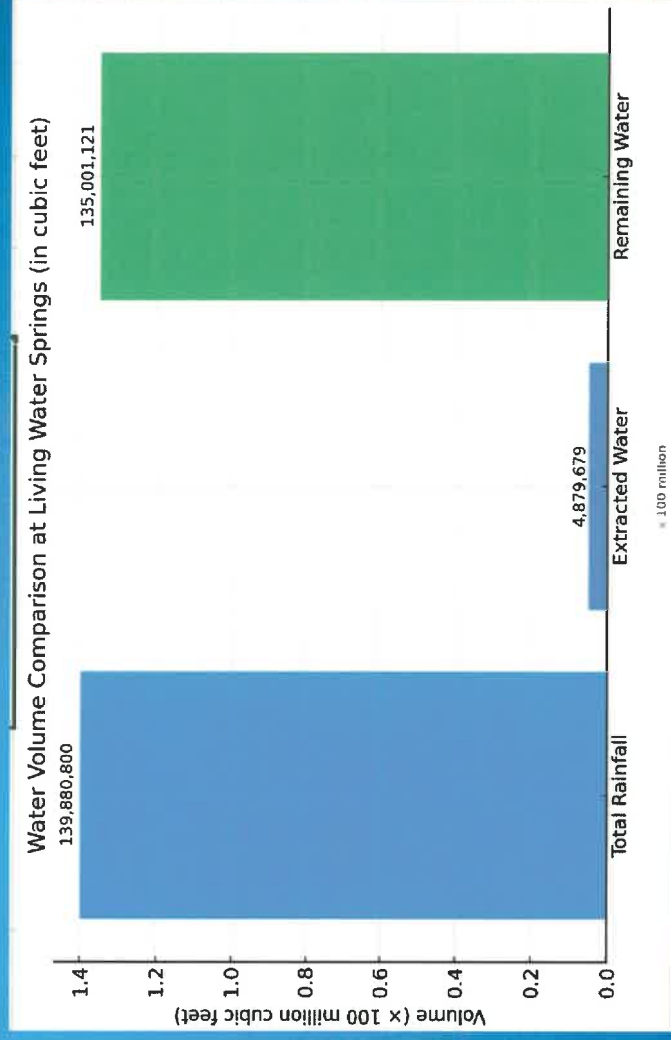
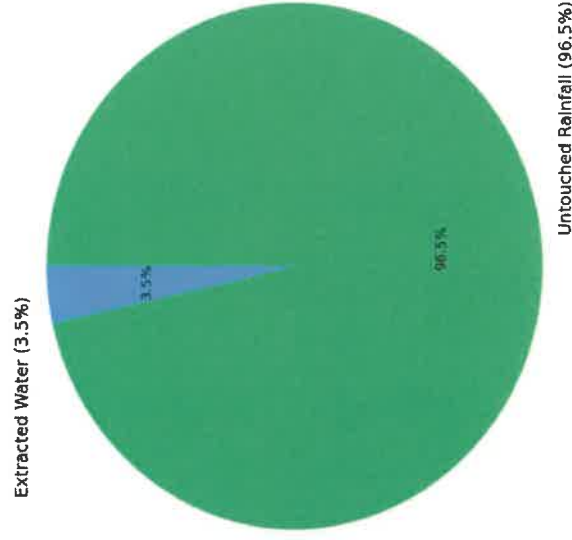
- O.C.G.A. § 12-5-31
- (1) No person shall make any withdrawal, diversion, or impoundment of any of the surface waters of the state for whatever use without obtaining a permit from the director; provided, however, that no permit shall be required for:
 - (A) Any such withdrawal which does not involve more than 100,000 gallons per day on a monthly average;
 - (B) Any such diversion which does not reduce the flow of the surface waters at the point where the watercourse, prior to diversion, leaves the person's or persons' property or properties on which the diversion occurred, by more than 100,000 gallons per day on a monthly average;

FOUNTAIN GROVE SPRINGS- 770 ACRES ANNUAL EXTRACTION CALCULATIONS

Living Water Springs - 770 acres Annual Extraction Calculations			
Gallons of rainfall (in)	50	(4.17 ft)	
Rainfall Volume (cu ft)	139,880,800	(Area x Rainfall Depth = Volume)	
Gallons of water produced (gal)	1,050,000,000	(1 cu ft = 7.48 gallons)	
Total gallons extracted (gal)	36,500,000	(100,000 gal/day)	
Remaining Untouched Gallons (gal)	1,013,500,000		
Percentage of available gallons used	3.5%		

FOUNTAIN GROVE SPRINGS ANNUAL EXTRACTION CALCULATIONS CONTINUED

Water Use vs Rainfall at Living Water Springs (770 acres)



PIKE COUNTY WATER RESOURCE PLAN

- Over 1 million gallons per day in well water in the county

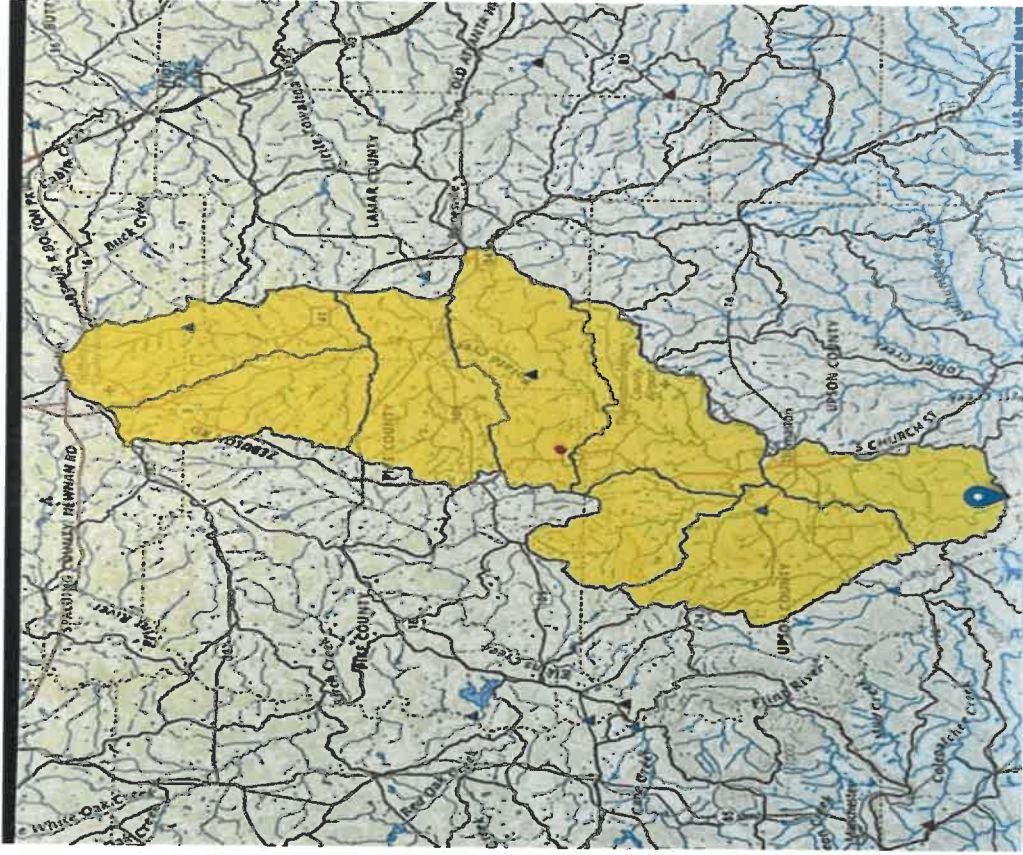
Provider	Active Water Supply Sources	Estimated Yield
Concord	Concord-Spring Road Well	0.18 MGD
	Spring Road Spring	0.0252 MGD
	Griffin Interconnection	NA ¹
Meansville	Well #1 (Hwy 109)	0.0288 MGD ²
	Well #3 (Collier Ave)	0.108 MGD
Molena	Well #2 (Springs Street)	0.0288 MGD
Pike County WSA	Well #1 (Midway Road/ Lewis Lake)	0.144 MGD ³
	Well #2 (Shackleford Road)	0.069 MGD ³
Williamson	Griffin Interconnection	< 2.0 MG/ month ⁴
Zebulon	Griffin Interconnection (2 connections)	<12.0 MG/month ⁵

1. Per Concord Wholesale Agreement, notification for non-emergency demand >100,000 gpd
2. Well #1 not operational at estimated yield due to pump
3. GW Permit #114-0001 limits withdrawal to 0.207 MGD (monthly and annual average)
4. Per Williamson Wholesale Agreement (June 28, 1996)
5. Per Zebulon Wholesale Agreement (July 23, 1996)

SAMPLE TEST - CABIN WELL ON SITE

- A single well pumping test was conducted on the Cabin Well on October 16 -17, 2025 to evaluate well yield, impact to the spring, and water level recovery. The well was pumped continuously at 48 GPM for approximately 12 hours. Drawdown stabilized with no observable change in flow at the spring face. Full recovery was attained in approximately 15 minutes following pump shutdown. This well response is consistent with yield from the fractured bedrock aquifer associated with the spring.
- Down-hole geophysical logging was conducted on the Cabin Well on October 16, 2025, including a down-hole video, analysis of the size and openness of fractures, orientation (strike and dip) of the fractures, and identification of water inflow zones. The logging identified a major open fracture in the bedrock at a depth of 70 feet bls as the primary water inflow zone of the well. Based on the topographic elevation of the Cabin Well and spring, this fractured water-bearing horizon is 10–20 ft higher than the land surface and wellhead areas of several wells on the Brandon Road side. Our spring water wells will draw water for the shallow fractured aquifer system feeding the spring and not the deeper aquifer that neighboring wells use.
- In summary, our spring water wells will draw from a shallow, fractured rock aquifer in close proximity to the spring and will not impact the deeper aquifers tapped by neighboring water wells.

MAP OF POTATO CREEK WATERSHED



WATERFLOWS FROM FOUNTAIN GROVE/ RECEIVING STREAMS IN POTATO CREEK WATERSHED AREA

- Fountain Grove Spring discharges to Shattuck Branch which runs for approximately 1.8 miles where it joins Threemile Creek which runs for approximately 1.1 miles and enters Potato Creek. Potato Creek runs approximately 1.5 miles and enters the Flint River near the southern border of Upson County.
- The Shattuck Branch watershed (including Joan Branch which joins Shattuck Branch) encompasses 744 acres with a mean annual discharge of 556 GPM in addition to the spring which is not specifically quantified by StreamStats. Approximately 198 acres (26%) of the Shattuck Branch watershed lies within the Fountain Grove property. Additionally, six other streams flow from the 770-acre Fountain Grove property and enter Three-Mile Creek and flow to Potato Creek. According to StreamStats the combined mean annual flow from all streams leaving the Fountain Grove property is approximately 383 GPM. With the addition of flow from the spring this means that over 550 GPM/792K GPD flows from the Subject Property as surface water.
- The Potato Creek watershed including Threemile Creek and Shattuck Branch encompasses approximately 238 square miles (approximately 152,320 acres) with a mean annual flow of 105,000 GPM. The Fountain Grove property is 660 acres and only 0.4 percent of the total Potato Creek watershed area. The proposed 69 GPM withdrawal is 0.065 % of the Potato Creek discharge.
- Source: Stream Stats; USGS



GEORGIA MONITORING STATIONS

Georgia

301 monitoring locations

Data collection - **Continuous**

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Data collection duration - **The last 120 days**

Showing locations with

- **Discharge, cubic feet per second**

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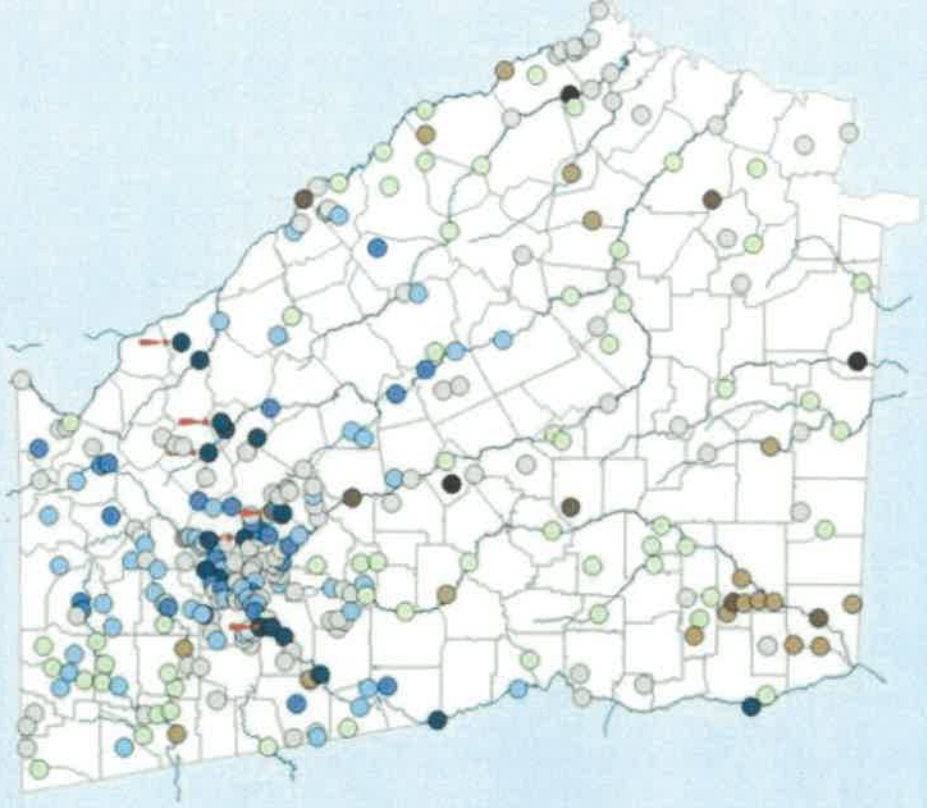
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Flint River at US 19, Near Carsonville, GA - USGS-02347500

Upson County, Georgia

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Latest value	Data type	Time	
487 ft ³ /s	Discharge, cubic feet per second	Oct 28, 2025 - 04:45 AM EDT	View 7 day graph
Normal			View Duration graph

October 26, 2025 258 ft³/sec. 167.2M gallons/day (.06%)

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Georgia water conditions - USGS Water Data for the Nation

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CARSONVILLE MONITORING STATION (POTATO CREEK ENTERS FLINT RIVER)

FOUNTAIN GROVE VS LIFSEY COMPARISON

Category	Fountain Grove	Lifsey
Geophysics Study (12-hour Pump Test)	Yes	No
Written Testimonials Presented	Yes	No
Local Subject-Matter Approval (Michael Smith)	Yes	No
Positive Feedback from 7 Hydrogeologists	Yes	No
Subjected to Additional Testing Before Approval	Yes	No
Attended All BOC Meetings In Person	Yes	No
Rainfall Area (acres)	770	7
Percentage of Available Rainfall Used per Year	3.5%	383.4%
Gallons Removed per Year	36,500,000	36,500,000



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October 27, 2025

To: Pike County, Georgia Board of Commissioners
Subject: Letter of Support - Aqua Logistics LLC & Rolling Hills Springs

Dear Members of the Pike County Board of Commissioners,

It's my privilege to offer this letter of support for Aqua Logistics LLC and its affiliated company, Rolling Hills Springs, both based in Linton, Indiana. I've had the opportunity to observe the leadership and integrity of their CEO, Mr. Jody Todd, and can confidently attest to the company's reputation as a responsible and community-minded operator.

Aqua Logistics has built an excellent record in the transportation of food-grade bulk commodities. They operate with over 150 drivers and more than 100 tankers nationwide, all while maintaining the highest safety and compliance standards. Rolling Hills Springs — the company's natural resource division — has managed its Bloomfield, Indiana spring continuously since 2001, maintaining a flawless record of environmental sustainability and water quality.

Both companies have demonstrated strong commitments to their communities through donations to schools, youth programs, and charitable causes, as well as through support for disaster relief efforts.

I encourage you to give favorable consideration to their proposed operations in Pike County, as their record speaks for itself: responsible development, sustainable management, and respect for the communities they serve.

Sincerely,

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State Representative, State of Indiana
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October 22, 2025

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing in my professional capacity as the General Manager of a licensed water well company in the state of Georgia with over 50 years of experience in the well and groundwater industry in Pike County and the surrounding region. I have been made aware of the proposed bottled water facility that intends to withdraw no more than 100,000 gallons per day from a spring on Prayer Mountain in Pike County, Georgia.

Based on my knowledge of the area's hydrogeology, aquifer systems, and long-standing experience working with private and commercial wells, I believe that this level of withdrawal is well within the sustainable capacity of the local groundwater system. The volume being proposed is modest in comparison to the recharge rates typically observed in this region. Furthermore, given the spring's flow characteristics and the absence of any historical evidence suggesting overuse or depletion in nearby wells or creeks, I do not anticipate any negative impact on residential wells, surface water bodies, or wetlands in the surrounding area.

It is important to note that responsible groundwater development, when done in compliance with state and environmental regulations, can coexist with the protection of natural resources. From what I understand, the facility in question has committed to maintaining transparency and operating within the limits set forth by regulatory agencies.

In conclusion, from a professional and environmental standpoint, I see no reason to oppose this project based on the information currently available. I support this endeavor and believe it can bring economic benefit to the area without compromising our local water resources.

Please feel free to contact me if additional input or clarification is needed.

Sincerely,



Phillip Michael Smith II
General Manager / Middle Georgia Water Systems, Inc.