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From: Mary Ellen Whitworth

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To: Silawsky, Donald

Subject: Stratton Ridge

Dear Mr. Silawsky: I am opposed to destroying 258 acres of relatively rare and ecologically important bottomland hardwood forest at the Stratton Ridge site. The Brazorial National Wildlife Refuge is meant to be an area that is protected for generations to come. The DOE needs to look at other sites for their pipeline that does not destroy what cannot be restored. The lowest cost is not sufficient reason to use public land over other alternatives. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to review the summary of the EIS. Mary Ellen Whitworth.