

wichita water

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***Ronda Hutton, I am writing this letter because I am terribly concerned about what Wichita Water is planning to do with "our" water! My wife and I live at 1729 South Golden Prairie Road three miles west of Halstead. We moved back to the home in place in 2000 from Bartlesville, Oklahoma where my wife and I taught and I coached for thirty years. I was born and raised on the farm that my dad and granddad farmed for well over one hundred years. I am currently farming the home place. I farm this land because of sentimental reasons. The ground that I farm means all the world to me! We don't irrigate, but we have domestic wells at our home and our rental. The rental is where I was born and raised and where my parents and grandparents lived for over one hundred years. If Wichita Water get's their way it would put our domestic wells in serious danger in years that we might, god forbid, suffer a drought. Several years ago we had a terribly dry summer and I had to lower our wells, at my own cost, due to lack of water! Living on our land without water would be a dilemma that I don't want to think about! Thank you for taking the time to read my letter! Sincerely, Rod and Judy Berger***