

#2023-71

**Teresa Bolden**

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**From:** Angela Bray  
**Sent:** Monday, February 20, 2023 12:30 PM  
**To:** Teresa Bolden  
**Cc:** Cindy Randall; Benjamin O'Dowd  
**Subject:** RE: New JustFOIA Open Records Request ORR-2023-71  
**Attachments:** Bid # 21-21-22 Stormwater and Canal Maintenance.pdf; Bid Request for Joree Millpond.msg; Stone's Aquatic

Good afternoon,

Please see below and attachments above.

“Documentation of what specific chemicals the City of Valdosta sprays near waterways, for what purpose, any schedule of such spraying, and the contract with the contractor that does the spraying.”

1. The City of Valdosta uses Ranger Pro. This chemical is used for elephant ears only and directly sprayed to the plant on calm (non-windy)/sunny days. Ranger Pro is only used when water is not present, even though it is sprayed directly on the plant and never directly in the water. The chemical is mixed and applied according to the label. It should be noted that the City has cut back tremendously on spraying due to previously wet years. No current schedule has or will be set since the use/location is determined by water levels. Currently, spraying is only used when a request has been made by a citizen; however, never done if water is visible.
2. The contractor used for our canals DOES NOT use chemicals in any waterbody; although allowed per our contract (see page 15). Everything is maintained by hand (weed eater and/or lawnmower). This is a personal preference by the owner due to cost and accountability.
3. Please see attachments above for the contractor used for Mill Pond which includes his license and number.
4. In reference to: [This is the spraying referred to by Stormwater Director Angela Bray in seeclickfix #12819783; <https://seeclickfix.com/issues/12819783>] – My crew was unable to spray this area due to water levels; therefore, this task was never completed.

Please let me know if any additional request is made.  
Thanks.

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**Sent:** Monday, February 20, 2023 8:49 AM  
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**Subject:** FW: New JustFOIA Open Records Request ORR-2023-71

Good morning – Below is an Open Records Request that I received from John Quarterman. Please forward the information to me and I will contact Mr. Quarterman.

Thanks! Teresa

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**From:** JustFOIA Notification <[donotreply@request.justfoia.com](mailto:donotreply@request.justfoia.com)>  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 19, 2023 1:43 PM  
**To:** Teresa Bolden <[tbolden@valdostacity.com](mailto:tbolden@valdostacity.com)>  
**Subject:** New JustFOIA Open Records Request ORR-2023-71

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Teresa Bolden,

A new Open Records Request has been submitted.

The Open Records Request was entered on Sunday, February 19, 2023 at 1:43 PM (Eastern Standard Time) and has 4 days left until it is due.

The Open Records Request is due on Thursday, February 23, 2023.

Request Number: ORR-2023-71

**Field Name Response**

Name John S. Quarterman  
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Description Documentation of what specific chemicals the City of Valdosta sprays near waterways, for what purpose, any schedule of such spraying, and the contract with the contractor that does the spraying. This is the spraying referred to by Stormwater Director Angela Bray in seeclickfix #12819783: <https://seeclickfix.com/issues/12819783> The relevant paragraph is quoted below: Angela Bray (Verified Official) Contractors also have to follow city safety regs. If water levels are too high they shouldn't access the area. Unfortunately, it's too deep here and can be in other locations when they are on a job site. I will have my crew spray it again since it was rainy when the contractor was out there last. They/we haven't had a big window lately to spray and it stick between rain events. 07/19/2022 · Flag

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Thank you,

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