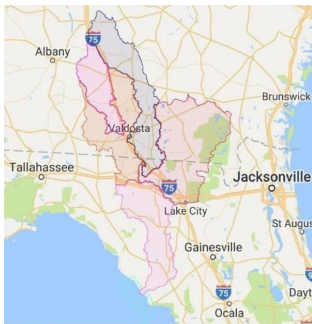


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Re: Apparent illicit Sabal Trail burning and well drilling

Dear permitting and enforcement agencies,

On the following pages please find pictures of yet another Sabal Trail violation, this time by burning materials without a burn permit, including materials brought in from another site, and apparently treated wood products, all of which I am told by Georgia Forestry Commission is illegal. Plus questions about well drilling.

This is the same Sabal Trail that caused a frac-out of drilling mud from its pilot hole under the Withlacoochee River, forcing drilling mud up into the river between Quitman and Valdosta, as well as causing a sinkhole at its HDD site in Lowndes County, in addition to numerous violations in Florida.

I ask that you shut down this illicit burning, and that you fine Sabal Trail.

I further ask a serious investigation into the many violations of this pipeline and a halt to its activities until that investigation is complete. Such an investigation could take the form of a Supplementary Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. If USACE still refuses to start a SEIS, FERC or state agencies could intervene.

Sincerely,

John S. Quarterman, Suwannee Riverkeeper  
229-242-0102

## Burning in Brooks County, Georgia

On Wednesday March 8, 2017 I took this picture of a backhoe adding more materials to a burn pile at the Troy Construction Quitman, GA Facility in the Brooks County Industrial Park, south of Quitman, GA off of GA 333 on Venture Drive, 30.7658333, -83.5533333.



In this picture you can see hay bales, black and white plastic, treated wood products, and plastic trash can lids.

If they are not sufficiently visible here, many more pictures are available at this link:

<http://www.wwals.net/2017/03/09/sabal-trail-burning-water-and-pipe-in-brooks-and-lowndes-counties-ga-2017-03-08/>

By what permit was Sabal Trail granted authority to burn these materials in open air? Please cite the specific passages in the specific permits for each material named above, or for any other materials that are not natural wood products grown on the site of the burning.

By what permit was Sabal Trail granted authority to burn anything next to a wetland on property with multiple drainage ditches running through it to that wetland, as any map of the Brooks County Industrial Park shows? Please cite the specific passages in the specific permits for each material named above, or for any other materials that are not natural wood products grown on the site of the burning.



## Well drilling equipment in Lowndes County, Georgia

In this picture I took March 8, 2017 on Knights Ferry Road in Lowndes County, Georgia, [30.7485032, -83.4017858](#), slightly east of the Sabal Trail pipeline right of way, you can see what appears to be vertical water well drilling equipment. The truck says on the side Andrews & Foster, Athens, Texas, US DOT 2095262, so this is very unlikely to be equipment for a local water well.



Is this drilling equipment involved in the Sabal Trail pipeline? If so, for what purpose?

Is Sabal Trail drilling or has drilled water wells in Georgia? If so, where and when for each such well?

Is Sabal Trail drilling or has drilled any water wells on or near Knights Ferry Road in Lowndes County, Georgia? If so, where and when for each such well?

If Sabal Trail is drilling or has drilled any water wells in Georgia, what is it drilling them for?

In what permit is Sabal Trail authorized to drill any water wells in Georgia?

In what permit is Sabal Trail authorized to extract water from any water wells in Georgia?

In what permit is Sabal Trail authorized to deposit water or any other materials into wells in Georgia?

For each answer, please cite the specific passages in the specific permits.