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**Water Solutions of Broussard**, which operates in 21 countries. “We can clean produced water to better than I water standards.” Having attended the conference for decades, Godeaux sees dramatically increasing business opportunity in evaporation/distillation, desalinization, reverse osmosis, & industrial use/recycling of produced water for cement, cooling water for data centers, etc. **Enviro-Tech Systems of Covington** displayed its filtration technology and also offers a wide range of services.

USDOE emphasized it’s “here to help” with produced water, “one of the defining infrastructure challenges of the decade for this country.” The Texas & New Mexico Produced Water Consortia run a “State Coordinating Consortium — researching projects to minimize underground injection & promote beneficial uses for ‘Purified Produced Water’ (water equivalent). Agricultural representatives said USEPA & their industries are very open to using the treated wastewater, initially to restore rangeland & irrigate non-edible crops like cotton. Mineral extraction is a hot topic (magnesium, lithium, manganese, copper, bromine, iodine). The Texas Railroad Commission said the entire oil & gas industry recognizes the need for injection alternatives and has shared seismic data to cooperate on new Texas standards.



All the discussions aligned well with the concerns of the Jamestown (Bienville Parish) citizens who last month filed to appeal a Class 2 (Exploration & Production Wastewater) Injection permit granted by Louisiana’s Dept. of Conservation — to allow Brickyard Trucking, LLC to drill 3 commercial wells through sole source drinking water aquifers, to pump the toxic/radioactive wastewater under high pressure deeper underground ([www.ShiftTheSubsidy.org](http://www.ShiftTheSubsidy.org)).

The Louisiana Environmental Action Network (LEAEN) and 4 citizens (Ralph Woodall, Tanva Griffith, Lois Smith, &






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facilitate an overall reduction of geologic pressure wherever injection problems are predicted. **Dr. Katie Smye Bureau of Economic Geology at UT** said “The 2-mile Area of Review for permitting may not pick up potential underscoring local residents’ concerns about the major fault believed to be about 3 miles from the Brickyard ir site. She urged “collective management of the reservoir as a resource” for best results, and said “the deeper we less we know.”

NW Louisiana residents seek to **reduce**: the mounting incidence of ‘man-made’ earthquakes, the proliferation of commercial injection facilities, the risk of contamination of drinking water, & the associated trucking hazards. They are demanding a Cumulative Environmental Impact Study of the effects of injection & better consideration of alternative disposal methods, particularly as operations in the Haynesville Shale are projected to double.

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