

**Charlie Smith**

**From:** Charlie Smith on behalf of Records Clerk  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 17, 2024 1:17 PM  
**To:** 'Julie Imig'  
**Cc:** Consumer Contact  
**Subject:** RE: Docket #20240032-SU

Good afternoon Julie Imig,

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket No. 20240032, and forwarding them to the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach.

Best regards,

*Charlie Smith II*

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**From:** Julie Imig <julie.imig@imig-llc.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 17, 2024 12:59 PM  
**To:** Office of Chairman La Rosa <Commissioner.LaRosa@psc.state.fl.us>; Office of Commissioner Clark <Commissioner.Clark@psc.state.fl.us>; Office of Commissioner Passidomo <Commissioner.Passidomo@psc.state.fl.us>; Office of Commissioner Fay <Commissioner.Fay@psc.state.fl.us>; Office of Commissioner Graham <Commissioner.Graham@PSC.STATE.FL.US>  
**Cc:** Records Clerk <CLERK@PSC.STATE.FL.US>; george@shopnnonclin.com  
**Subject:** Docket #20240032-SU

Commissioners:

My name is Julie Imig and I am a homeowner on Little Gasparilla Island (9866 Little Gasparilla Island).

I am writing to request that the PSC deny EUs application for wastewater service on Little Gasparilla Island, as well as other related barrier islands

My objections to this project are as follows:

- 1) There is no demonstrated need for a sewer system on our island that I am aware of.
- 2) This project was recently rejected by the State Commissioners, and I am unaware of any changes to circumstances considered at that time which would lead to a different conclusion.
- 3) Our property is on the south end of Little Gapsaprilla Island, and extends from the bay on the east side to the beach on the west with no road or access, even by golf cart. There are a number of properties on this end of the island which have no road access whatsoever. The disruption to our park-like

property, which is home to native plant and animal species, required to install and maintain a sewer system is concerning. I don't wish to grant any easements for this project

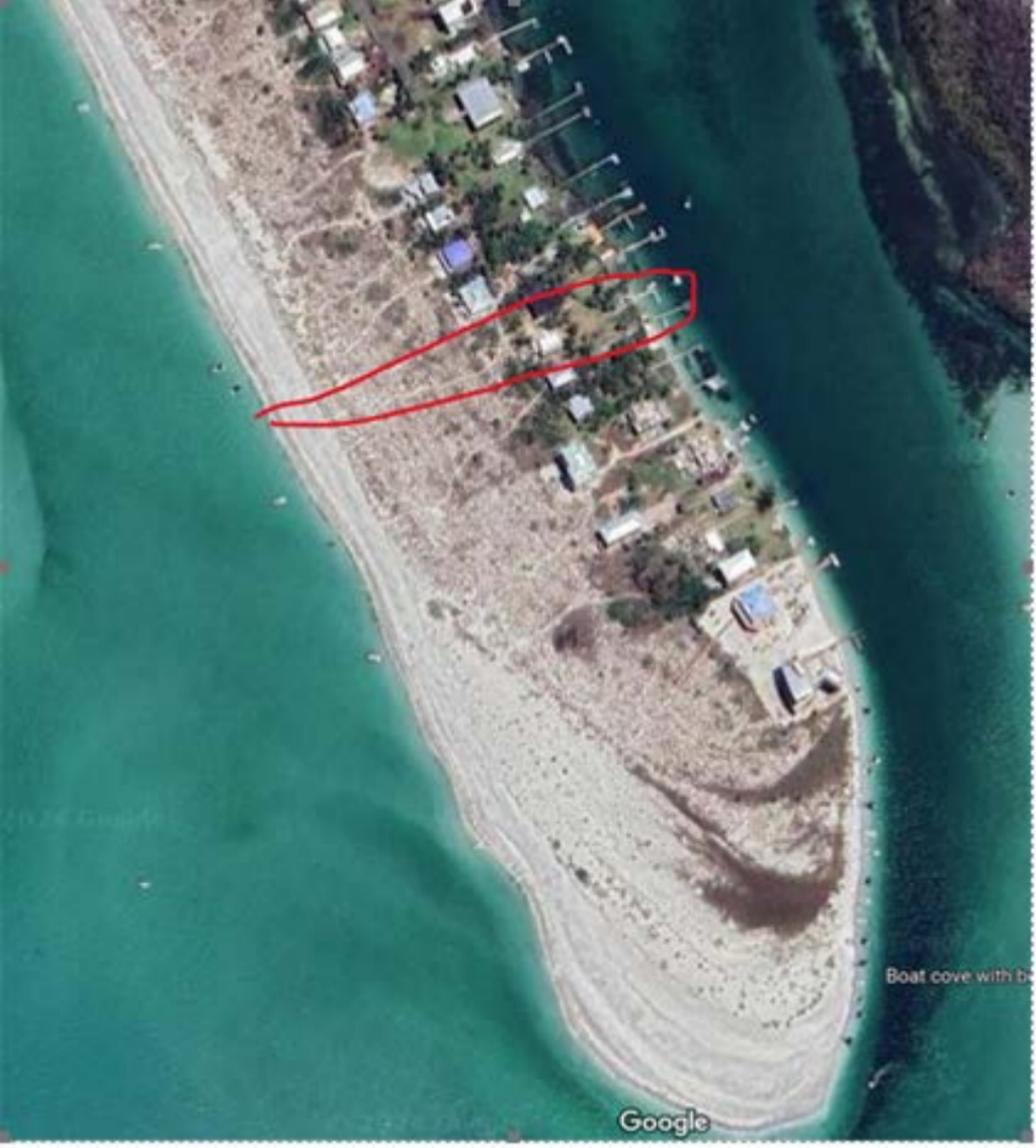
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- 4) Our power supply is frequently interrupted on the island due to weather. It is unrealistic to think this would not have an impact on the proposed sewer system.
- 5) As I understand it, we would still need to have a tank similar to our current septic tank which would need to be pumped (at whose expense?). I believe this system only eliminates need for a leach field
- 6) EU has no experience jinstalling or maintaining a sewer system of any kind, let alone a system which needs to be designed to minimize disturbance to a pristine barrier island, and to overcome any challenges operating a system exposed to the elements.
- 7) All equipment subjected to the salt, wind and sun found on a barrier island would be subject to rapid corrossions/failure, including the pipe underneath the intercoastal waterway
- 8) The cost of installation, hook-up is high and without a pay over time plan, (\$13.5k upfront costs)
- 9) The proposed monthly service fee of \$115 is more than double that of [Charlotte County run services](#) of \$40.41 base charge. Cost per 1000 gallons for proposed project is \$39.64 compared to Charlotte County's 5.63/1000 gallon charge.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. I invite you to come to the island to get a better understanding of the unique needs of our bridgeless barrier island as you consider this re-application.

Sincerely,

Julie Imig  
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