

**Hon. Beth O'Donnell
Executive Director
Public Service Commission
211 Sower Blvd.
Frankfort, KY 40601**

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**RE: Case No. 2007-00134
Kentucky American Water**

October 25, 2007

**Leer Family Farm
Ironswork Road**

Dear Ms. O'Donnell:

I am Rebecca Cannon, an 88 year old woman who has made speeches and wrote letters to inform the public about what can happen.

One of my letters to local officials was read at the P.S.C. meeting held in Frankfort.


**Please read the article that I am enclosing on what can happen when large ditches are dug along right of way or through farms.
The contents of this article is just one of many reasons I am against the proposed 42 inch Kentucky American water line along the Ironswork Road.**

We have springs and ponds as our livestock water resource.

Please consider the alternative water route that the Louisville Water Company has proposed.

Please help save our Kentucky River resources which can only be a band-aid for K.A.W.C. water supply.

Sincerely,


**Rebecca Cannon
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Spring in Jessamine goes dry

SEWER-LINE BLASTING CLAIMED LIKELY CAUSE

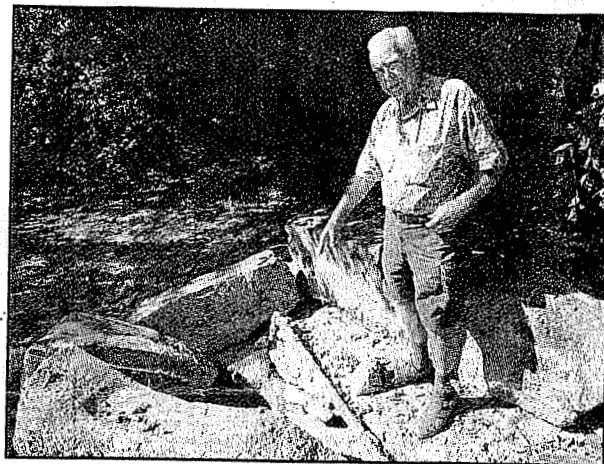
By Ashlee Clark

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NICHOLASVILLE — A bursting spring on the Anderson property in Jessamine County was a retreat for animals in the area.

It wasn't unusual to see critters sipping from the shaded waters, or insects swooping in to enjoy the clumps of spotted jewelweed and blue lobelias that surrounded the spring, said Erma Anderson, who owns the property with her husband, Elmer.

But since September, a mucky



Elmer Anderson described how the spring on his farm dried up after blasting was done nearby for the construction of a sewer line.

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green sludge has replaced the thousands of gallons of water that the spring produced.

The Andersons say the spring dried up after the city of

Nicholasville did blasting on their property to make way for a sewer line.

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"In one minute, they destroyed what took thousands of years to create," Erma Anderson said.

The city is constructing about 18,500 feet of gravity interceptor sewer along Town Fork Creek, which runs near the Andersons' spring, according to a quantity flow study of the Andersons' spring and two springs belonging to their next-door neighbors.

Elmer Anderson said they consented to the sewer line being built along their property, as long as there was no blasting.

But on Sept. 18 and 19, the Andersons say, crew members began blasting into the ground.

Then the spring recoiled. The water receded.

"It was horrible to watch," Erma Anderson said. It seemed as if the spring said, "You don't want me, I'll

leave," she said.

Nicholasville City Attorney William Arvin did not respond to repeated phone calls seeking comment from the city.

The Andersons' spring produced more than 300,000 gallons of water a month, the quantity flow study said. However, the Andersons say a previous study done on the spring showed that it produced 1 million gallons of water each month.

There is still some life left around the receding spring. Butterflies still sway between the flowers. But missing are the familiar footprints of the four-legged creatures that would gather around the spring. The only evidence of the spring's once plentiful flow is a grimy hole where the edge of the spring met the grass.

"With all the development here in Jessamine County," Erma Anderson said, "this was an oasis."



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Elmer Anderson believes blasting, in the foreground, has dried up a spring, background, on his farm in Jessamine.