It is accurate.

The TPWD citation was not specifically for the blocks and mortar at the springs but it’s all related. Jurisdiction is complicated at the site.

The citation was issued because they had been directed by the game warden to stop work within TPWD jurisdiction, which they did temporarily, but work started again contrary to the game warden’s directive.

Call me if you need details.

Thanks.

Tom Heger
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Hi Tom,

You are probably aware that we are working on preparing a draft listing decision on 4 salamanders, including the Salado salamander. In our federal register document we are planning to put the following information in that includes a Pers. Comm by you. Would you mind reading the info below and letting me know if it all looks accurate to you? It's referring to the Big Boiling/lil bubbly spring site.

Thanks,
Alisa

In the fall of 2011, the outflow channels and edges of these two springs were reconstructed with large limestone blocks and mortar. A cease and desist order was issued in October, 2011, from the U.S. Corps of Engineers for unauthorized discharge of dredged or fill material that occurred in this area (Brooks, 2011, U.S. Corps of Engineers, *in litt.*). This order was issued in relation to the need for a Section 404 permit under the Clean Water Act. In addition a warning citation from a Texas Parks and Wildlife game warden was issued in October 2011 due to the need for a sand and gravel permit from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (Heger, 2011, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, pers comm.).

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