Desalination in La Quinta Channel

Update by Ingleside on the Bay Coastal Watch Association (IOBCWA)
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501(c)(3) Nonprofit Tax-Exempt Purpose:

To promote the health, safety, and quality of life of IOB residents through research, education, communication, and action
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<th>Location</th>
<th>Discharge Millions of Gallons per Day</th>
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<td>City of Ingleside (partnership with Poseidon)</td>
<td>Unknown</td>
<td>100 MGD</td>
<td>• On 2021 Region N Water Plan</td>
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<td>Port of Corpus Christi</td>
<td>Near Voestalpine (near Portland) 6 miles from IOB</td>
<td>57.3 MGD</td>
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| City of Corpus Christi            | Occidental property (just past Kiewit) 3 miles from IOB | 69 MGD                                 | • On 2021 Regional Water Plan  
• Undergoing TCEQ Technical Review  
• Applied for $220M SWIFT Loan (Tx Water Development Board) |
TCEQ* Permitting Process

1. Application Administratively Complete
2. Technical Review
3. Draft Permit Issued
4. Comment Period
5. Public Meeting (if enough comments)
6. Contested Case Hearing (if sufficient grounds):
   • Only by "Affected Persons":
     • Having a legal right, duty, privilege, power, or economic interest
     • That is not common to members of the general public
     • Based on distance; impact on health, safety, or use of property; or use of impacted natural resource
   • Only on "Issues of Fact or Law" brought up during Comment Period
7. Final Decision

*TCEQ: Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
City of Corpus Christi’s La Quinta Desal Plant

- **Build Cost**: $140 million +

- **Stated Purpose**: Drought-Proof Municipal Water Source

- **Actual Purpose**: Industry – specifically, $10B Project Falcon, coming in 2028 (by McCampbell-Porter Airport at Ingleside/Aransas Pass)

- **Corpus Christi Desal Website**: cctexas.com/desal
Concerns about Desal on La Quinta

• Eating Fish
• Engaging in Water Sports
• Quality of Life
• Taxpayers (not Industry) Pay for Plant
  • 50% Participation by Industry in Voluntary Fee
  • Past Desal Bankruptcy on CC Bay (M&G Polymers)

Environmental

Economic

• Shrimpers
• Fishing Guides
• Other Businesses

Financial

• Increased Saline
• Lower Oxygen
• More Concentrated Toxins

Health

• Eating Fish
• Engaging in Water Sports
• Quality of Life
• Shrimpers
• Fishing Guides
• Other Businesses
What Everyone Can Do

1. IOBCWA.org has more info (also on Citizens of IOB & IOBCWA Facebook)
2. Submit Comments to TCEQ & request Public Hearing on Permit WQ0005290000 (https://www14.tceq.texas.gov/epic/eComment/)
3. Join IOBCWA as Associate Member (free) ($20/year for full Voting rights)

**Affected Businesses**
- State Your Occupation & Length of Time
- Describe How Will Affect Business Economically

**IOB Citizens**
- State Your Address & Length of Time
- Describe Health, Recreation, Other Concerns

**Mayor & City Council**
- State Your Elected Title
- Describe How Could Impact City
- Consider Joint Comments as Governing Board
Let’s Send a Message: Take It Offshore!

**Marine Seawater Desalination Diversion & Discharge Zones Study** (2018) by Texas Parks & Wildlife & General Land Office

Recommended by Ingleside on the Bay Coastal Watch Association ([IOBCWA.org](http://IOBCWA.org))
Thank You!

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