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Dear Sir,

**I am writing today to plead with you to please reclassify the Intracoastal Waterway from Venning Creek to Isle of Palms as Outstanding Resource Waters (ORW). If the Intracoastal Waterway and Sewee get reclassified to ORW it will require local areas and the Town of Awendaw to provide greater protection for these waters and not allow developers and others to pollute and degrade this waterway.**

- All waters in South Carolina are classified by the Federal Clean Water Act
- This area is connected to areas already classified as ORW. This area is special and deserves our protection. The higher the classification, the greater the protection
- Bulls Bay, Cape Romain Harbor, and Price's inlet are already designated the highest level (Outstanding Resource Water) and share water through daily tides with the ICW
- The Intracoastal Waterway from Venning Creek to Isle of Palms and Sewee Bay are also rated as the cleanest water in the State, based on DHEC Shellfish monitoring programs, but do not have the ORW designation. The ICW in this area should also have the ORW designation
- We want DHEC to reclassify those waters to the highest level, Outstanding Resource Water (ORW)

Thank you for your consideration in protecting the Cape Romain National Wildlife Refuge, and our waters.

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