



– Photo by Alfredo Vasquez

**A LEGAL ISSUE** – The University of Texas at El Paso (UTEP) could be home to a new law school as the recently passed House Bill 3475 now moves to the Texas Senate for consideration. If it passes there, the proposal will require approval from the governor before a law school in El Paso County can become a reality.

## UTEP’s law school is one step closer to fruition

By Alfredo Vasquez  
*Special to the Courier*

EL PASO COUNTY – Although Texas House Bill (HB) 3475 still has a ways to go before it reaches the governor’s desk for signing, odds are favorable that the University of Texas at El Paso (UTEP) will get its law school eventually.

HB 3475 authorizes the Texas university systems – including the University of Texas, Texas A&M, Texas Tech, University of Houston, and Texas State University – to formally propose establishing a public law school in El Paso County.

The House of Representatives recently passed the

bill that would establish the first law school along the state’s southern border and stipulates that it be founded in El Paso County. The measure is now in the Senate’s hands and if passed, will go to Gov. Greg Abbott for his endorsement.

UTEP President Heather Wilson expressed confidence that the law school will come to fruition following her recent presentation to the Texas House Committee on Higher Education. She related that she shared with the committee results of a study that was conducted to assess the viability of a law school at UTEP, and it concluded that the project is financially feasible and self-sustainable after an initial 10-year startup period.

“The feasibility study actually came out better than

I expected,” Wilson stated. “It is financially feasible to do this, and it is sustainable after a startup period; and also, it is needed.”

The local law school proposal calls for an initial investment of \$20 million and a facility to function for the first ten years. Afterwards, plans are to make the UTEP law school self-sustaining.

Andrea Cortinas, vice president and chief of staff at UTEP, credited State Representative Vincent Perez (D-District 77) with spearheading the initiative. She explained that through House Bill 3475, the shortage of bilingual lawyers in Texas could be addressed. She pointed out that UTEP’s

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## Galaviz announces retirement

By Gustavo Reveles  
*Special to the Courier*

CANUTILLO – After nearly 13 years of dedicated service to the Canutillo Independent School District, Superintendent Dr. Pedro Galaviz has announced his intent to retire at the end of the 2025 calendar year.

Dr. Galaviz said the decision comes with mixed emotions, as he prepares to close a chapter that has been both professionally rewarding and personally meaningful.

“Serving as superintendent of

this incredible district has been the honor of my life,” Galaviz said. “This community embraced me and my family from the moment we arrived. Canutillo has become our home, and I will always be grateful for the opportunity to lead and grow alongside our students, educators and families.”

Since taking the helm in May 2013, Galaviz has overseen a period of historic growth and transformation for the district. Under his leadership, Canutillo ISD earned three consecutive A ratings from the Texas Education Agency – becoming the only district

in the El Paso region to achieve that distinction.

Other highlights of his tenure include:

- Earning the U.S. Department of Education National Blue Ribbon School Designation for Northwest Early College High School.

- Leading the district to be named the Best Small School District in Texas by the H-E-B Excellence in Education Awards – the first and only El Paso-area district to receive this recognition.

- Launching the region’s first public Montessori program, providing a student-centered approach to early education.

- Opening two groundbreaking

middle school programs: the STEAM Academy at Canutillo Middle School and the Public Service Academies at Alderete Middle School, which offer specialized academic pathways in science, technology and public service careers.

- Guiding the successful passage of the 2024 Bond, a voter-approved measure that will modernize campuses and accommodate future student growth across the district.

“None of these accomplishments would have been possible without the hard work and vision of our teachers, staff, principals and the families who support us,” Galaviz

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# Trump shifts his own vibe

The vibe around President Trump's second term has shifted, and it's all his doing.

The president entered office with a bit of a wind at his back. His polling was better than the first time around, protestors weren't in the streets, and federal investigators weren't after him. The GOP was more united than in 2016, and business leaders wanted to work with him, while the culture was generally heading in an anti-woke direction.

Now, though, his polling is in a marked decline. His job approval rating is sliding. Depending on what poll you believe, it's down to 44% (Fox News), 40% (Pew Research) or 42% (Reuters). According to RealClearPolitics, his average approval rating was about 50% when he took

office and is 46% now.

It's not hard to discern the root of the discontent. In the Fox News poll, just 38% approve of Trump on the economy. On tariffs and inflation, the numbers are almost 2-1 against him; 33 approve and 59% disapprove on inflation, while it's 33-58 on tariffs.

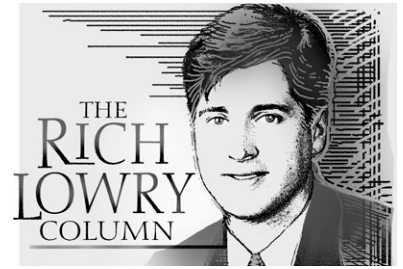
Pew Research found that 45% were confident in his ability to handle the economy, down from 59% after his election, and lower than in his first term in 2019 and 2020.

Via his snap imposition of sweeping tariffs, Trump in short order took a traditional strength that could see him through any controversy, or counterbalance any vulnerability, and at least vitiated it and perhaps made it a weakness.

It's hard to think of another example of a president changing the momentum of his administration from positive to negative so quickly and decisively. Trump did it literally in a matter of days.

Usually, presidencies are rocked by events – a hostage crisis, a war gone wrong, uncontrolled inflation. Here, nothing was done to Trump; he did it to himself. He was the event.

This wasn't him getting denied, either by more cautious advisers or a recalcitrant Congress. He



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## View from here By Dr. Glenn Mollette

# Airline, weather and water problems

Air traffic controllers have been using outdated equipment for decades. Some Federal Aviation Administration, (FAA) facilities are over 50 years old. The Government accountability office reported 51 of 138 air traffic control systems are unsustainable due to age and outdated functionality.

Equipment upgrades have been delayed for at least a decade. Modernization plans are finally underway. The current radar system is a 1960s design which was upgraded in the 1990s. The communication systems date back to the 1970s and 1980s. The upgrades include ERAM, Enroute Automation Modernization, cloud-based radar tracking. Datacom, digital pilot controller communications and ADS-B, Automatic Surveillance

Broadcast, which is precise GPS tracking. The anticipated completion of these updates will not likely be until 2030 with an anticipated budget of 7.2 billion dollars and growing.

In the meantime, American travelers are suffering long layovers and abrupt flight cancellations. Worse, flying has become more dangerous. While it is still touted as the safest form of transportation by the airlines, it doesn't feel quite as safe to some of us.

On top of aging, outdated equipment, we have a big shortage of air traffic controllers. The FAA is 3500 air traffic controllers short of targeted staffing. The shortage causes flight delays and forces many controllers to work mandatory overtime and six-day weeks. The reasons behind these shortages are

several. The rapid return to air travel after Covid -19. Pre-pandemic hiring freezes and layoffs. Retirement of experienced controllers. Challenges in training new controllers.

To address this the US Transportation Department is offering incentives to recruit and retain controllers. Air traffic controllers can make \$140,000 to over \$200,000 a year.

Another problem. Our National Weather Service is understaffed especially ahead of hurricane season starting June 1st. Specifically, 30 out of 122 weather forecast offices lack chief meteorologists. This shortage is concerning given the increasing frequency of billion-dollar disasters- 27 occurred just last year. Officials have warned this

could compromise disaster response. The shortages are due to massive retirement numbers. At least 25% have retired from the workforce in the last five years. The starting pay is in the low forty-thousand-dollar range. The hiring process takes about 300 days. High education requirements for the job. There is a high burnout rate. The job is very stressful with long hours especially during severe weather events.

Another problem across American is our water. Many American communities have outdated water systems. These aging systems pose serious health and environmental risks especially in rural areas where populations are declining and funds are scarce.

The American Society of Civil Engineers has given the US drinking water infrastructure a grade of D minus for over a decade due

to its deteriorating condition. In the last five years America has spent around \$370 billion on foreign aid. A big chunk of this went to Ukraine.

America has worked hard. We deserve to have current, up to date aviation systems, accurate up to date weather reporting and a clean drink of water. Let's please use some of this \$370 billion to fix things at home.

Sources: USAFACTS; US Bureau of Labor and Statistics; and ASCE American Society of Civil Engineers.

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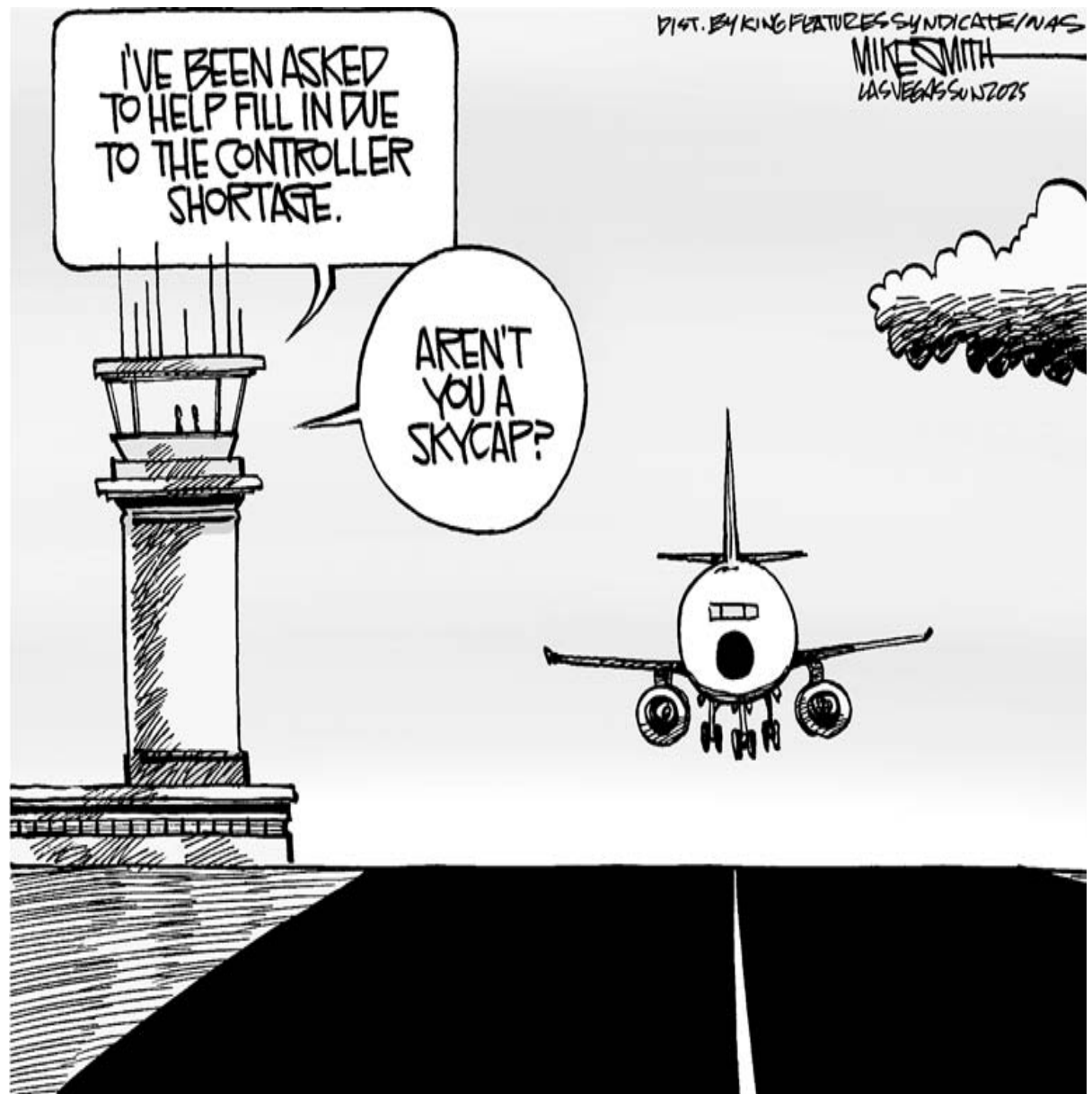
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# Socorro ISD schools of note

By Christy Flores-Jones  
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EL PASO COUNTY – The Socorro Independent School District recognized Hurshel Antwine Middle School and SSG. Manuel R. Puentes Middle School on May 12. The schools were designated as Texas Schools to Watch by the National

Forum to Accelerate Middle-Grades Reform and the Texas Association of Secondary School Principals. Banners were given to both schools.

A “Texas School to Watch” designation, part of the National Forum’s Schools to Watch program, recognizes middle grades schools in Texas that demonstrate high academic achievement, continuous improvement, and

a commitment to meeting the needs of all students. These schools are recognized for their progress in meeting nationally endorsed criteria for high-performing middle schools.

The schools were named to the national recognition program for academic excellence, developmental responsiveness, social equity and organization structure and processes. The two SISD campuses are among 70 campuses across Texas that have earned the distinction.

## Galaviz

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said. “Together, we built something special. Canutillo ISD has become a model for what’s possible when a community commits itself to equity, excellence and innovation in education.”

Galaviz also noted the challenges facing public education in Texas, including ongoing state underfunding, increasing political pressure on schools, and the need for continued support of educators.

“Public education is at a critical crossroads,” he said. “Now, more than ever, we need our communities to remain engaged and united in support of public schools.



Dr. Pedro Galaviz

Our educators and students deserve our full backing, and I encourage everyone to stay involved, stay informed,

and continue advocating for what’s best for all children.”

Galaviz expressed his confidence in the district’s future, adding that he will continue to be a proud and active member of the Canutillo community.

“I may be retiring from my role, but I’m not leaving Canutillo,” he said. “I live here, I raised my family here, and I remain committed to supporting this district and its success however I can. I am *Puro Canuto!*”

Thet Board of Trustees will discuss a transitional process, including the appointment of a potentialinterimsuperintendent and the hiring process for a permanent superintendent, at an upcoming school board meeting.

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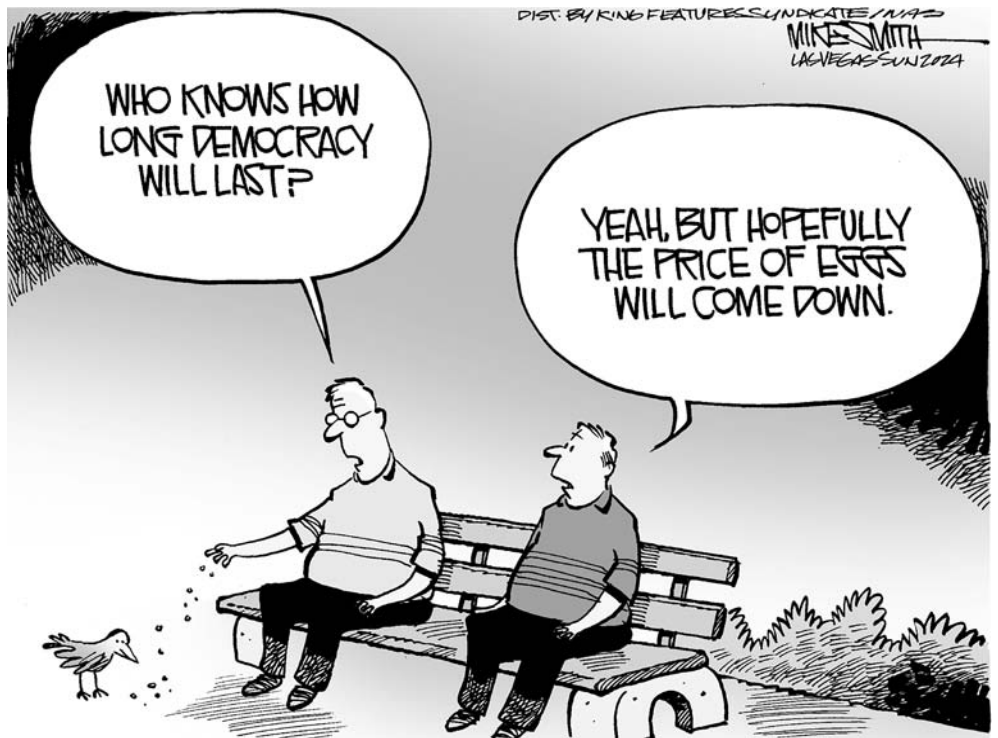
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**UTEP**

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student body is approximately 70 percent fluently bilingual which presents a unique opportunity to fill this gap.

Perez stated that the legislation aims to fill a significant educational gap, as the county currently lacks an accredited law school. "El Paso is the largest major metro in Texas without a law school and it shows," he claimed. "We have fewer lawyers per capita

than other big cities. Many state agency lawyers, corporate counsel, and judges in Austin or Dallas started at a hometown law school," he asserted.

The El Paso state representative noted that HB 3475 was a significant step toward expanding educational and professional opportunities for El Paso and West Texas students.

"Creating a law school in El Paso will empower local talent, meet the growing statewide need for bilingual legal professionals, and stimulate economic growth

in our region. This isn't just about adding another school. It's about securing Texas's long-term prosperity. El Paso is our front door to the world, and we must invest in the legal minds who will lead in cross-border trade, immigration, and international business," Perez added.

In the coming months, UTEP officials plan to engage with business and community members to promote the law school and to secure financial support for the startup costs and the new building.



**Moments in time**  
THE HISTORY CHANNEL

• On May 19, 1536, Anne Boleyn, the unfortunate second wife of England's King Henry VIII, was beheaded at the Tower of London on charges including adultery, incest and conspiracy against the king, after just three years of marriage.

• On May 20, 1992, in an attempt to end the blight of graffiti vandalism, the Chicago City Council passed an ordinance banning the retail sale of spray paint and large markers within city limits, describing them as "weapons of terror."

• On May 21, 1758, 10-year-old Mary Campbell was abducted from her home in Cumberland County, Pennsylvania, by members of the Lenape tribe and ended up becoming an icon of the French and Indian War. At age 16, she was returned to a European settlement in the captive release orchestrated by Colonel Henry Bouquet at the conclusion of Pontiac's War.

• On May 22, 1802, Martha Dandridge Custis Washington, widow of President George Washington, died of a "severe fever" at her Mount Vernon home at the age of 70. Though she was a devoted wife, she did not entirely enjoy her role as "Lady Washington" and once confessed that she felt "more like a state prisoner than anything else."

• On May 23, 1979, rocker Tom Petty declared bankruptcy in an effort to free himself from his contract with Shelter Records.

• On May 24, 1964, a referee's call in the last minutes of a close soccer match between Peru and Argentina at the National Stadium in Lima, Peru, sparked a riot that resulted in the deaths of more than 300 fans. Another 500 people were injured.

• On May 25, 1977, Memorial Day weekend opens with an intergalactic bang as the first of George Lucas' blockbuster *Star Wars* movies hits American theaters.

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**Strange BUT TRUE**

By Lucie Winborne

• Worldwide, blue is the most common favorite color.

• Medieval knights were given letters of protection that essentially provided them with a license to kill, as they granted the possessor full immunity from legal proceedings resulting from battles or necessary fatalities.

• The "Mona Lisa" has her own mailbox in the Louvre for all the flowers, poems and love letters she receives.

• Deipnophobia is the fear of dining with other people

• People have used dishwashers to clean hats, toothbrushes, sneakers and more. There are even tutorials on how to cook certain foods with a dishwasher.

• New Order's classic song "Blue Monday" is the best-selling 12-inch single in history. Unfortunately, the band lost money on it since the cost of producing its unique cover was higher than its sale price.

• In 95% of cases, the first word someone writes with a new pen is their own name.

• Despite more than 150 years worth of study and experimentation, no one really knows why ice is slippery.

• Sixty-eight percent of American adults buy shoes with foot pain in mind.

• The oldest known toilet, in ancient Knossos on the island of Crete, has remained functional for approximately 4,000 years since its construction and was built with a seat and sophisticated drainage system.

• Eyelashes are considered the thickest and toughest of all hairs on the human body, with a lifespan of about three months.

Thought for the Day: "Life consists not in holding good cards but in playing those you hold well."

- Josh Billings

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**Anthony ISD Summer Meal Program 2025**

**Programa de Servicio de Alimentos para el Verano 2025**

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<u>Campus/Facility</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Dates (Mon. - Thurs. only)</u>
<u>Campus/Instalaciones</u>	<u>Dirección</u>	<u>Fechas (Sólo los Lunes - Jueves)</u>
Anthony MS	813 6th St.	June 2 - July 11
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Anthony ES	610 6th St.	June 2 - July 11
Breakfast/Desayuno: 7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.; Lunch/Comida: 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 (Noon)		
Enrique Miramontes (Triangle) Park	1015 Franklin St.	June 2 - July 11
Breakfast/Desayuno: 8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.; Lunch/Comida: 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.		
Torres Altos Park	3009 Bariloche Dr.	June 2 - July 11
Breakfast/Desayuno: 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.; Lunch/Comida: 11:45 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.		
Wet 'N' Wild Waterworld	8804 S. Desert Blvd.	June 2 - July 11* (1)
Gallegos Park	7361 Bosque Rd.	June 2 - July 11* (2)
*Lunch only/Comida solamente: (1) 12 (Noon) - 1 p.m.; (2) 11:45 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.		

All Locations Closed / Todos Ubicaciones Cerrado: June 19 and July 1 - July 4, 2025

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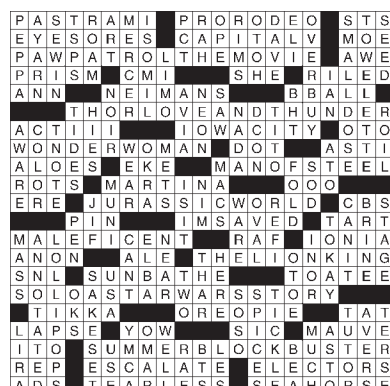
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**LEGALS**

**TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY**



**NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION AND INTENT TO OBTAIN WATER QUALITY PERMIT RENEWAL**

**PERMIT NO. WQ0014529001**

**APPLICATION**

El Paso County Tornillo Water Improvement District, P.O. Box 136, Tornillo, Texas 79853, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) to renew Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES) Permit No. WQ0014529001 (EPA I.D. No. TX0126772) to authorize the discharge of treated wastewater at a volume not to exceed a daily average flow of 730,000 gallons per day. The domestic wastewater treatment facility is located at 695 Henderson Road, near the city of Tornillo, in El Paso County, Texas 79853. The discharge route is from the plant site to Tornillo Drain; thence to Rio Grande Below Riverside Diversion Dam. TCEQ received this application on April 25, 2025. The permit application will be available for viewing and copying at El Paso County Tornillo Water Improvement District, 19225 Highland Street, Tornillo, in El Paso County, Texas prior to the date this notice is published in the newspaper. The application, including any updates, and associated notices are available electronically at the following webpage:

<https://www.tceq.texas.gov/permitting/wastewater/tpdes-applications>

This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and not part of the application or notice. For the exact location, refer

to the application.

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**ALTERNATIVE LANGUAGE NOTICE**

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**ADDITIONAL NOTICE**

TCEQ's Executive Director has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application. After technical review of the application is complete, the Executive Director may prepare a draft permit and will issue a preliminary decision on the application. **Notice of the Application and Preliminary Decision will be published and mailed to those who are on the county wide mailing list and to those who are on the mailing list for this application. That notice will contain the deadline for submitting public comments.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT/ PUBLIC MEETING**

You may submit public comments or request a public meeting on this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or to ask questions about the application. TCEQ will hold a public meeting if the Executive Director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

**OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING**

After the deadline for submitting

public comments, the Executive Director will consider all timely comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. **Unless the application is directly referred for a contested case hearing, the response to comments, and the Executive Director's decision on the application, will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments and to those persons who are on the mailing list for this application. If comments are received, the mailing will also provide instructions for requesting reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision and for requesting a contested case hearing. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in state district court.**

**TO REQUEST A CONTESTED CASE HEARING, YOU MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN YOUR REQUEST:**

your name, address, phone number; applicant's name and proposed permit number; the location and distance of your property/activities relative to the proposed facility; a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the facility in a way not common to the general public; a list of all disputed issues of fact that you submit during the comment period and, the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing." If the request for contested case hearing is filed on behalf of a group or association, the request must designate the group's representative for receiving future correspondence; identify by name and physical address an individual member of the group who would be adversely affected by the proposed facility or activity; provide the information discussed above regarding the affected member's location and distance from the

facility or activity; explain how and why the member would be affected; and explain how the interests the group seeks to protect are relevant to the group's purpose.

Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the Executive Director will forward the application and any requests for reconsideration or for a contested case hearing to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

The Commission may only grant a request for a contested case hearing on issues the requestor submitted in their timely comments that were not subsequently withdrawn. **If a hearing is granted, the subject of a hearing will be limited to disputed issues of fact or mixed questions of fact and law relating to relevant and material water quality concerns submitted during the comment period.**

**TCEQ may act on an application to renew a permit for discharge of wastewater without providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria are met.**

**MAILING LIST**

If you submit public comments, a request for a contested case hearing or a reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision, you will be added to the mailing list for this specific application to receive future public notices mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk. In addition, you may request to be placed on: (1) the permanent mailing list for a specific applicant name and permit number; and/or (2) the mailing list for a specific county. If you wish to be placed on the permanent and/or the county mailing list, clearly specify which list(s) and send your request to TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

**INFORMATION AVAILABLE ONLINE**

For details about the status of the application, visit the

Commissioners' Integrated Database at [www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/cid](http://www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/cid). Search the database using the permit number for this application, which is provided at the top of this notice.

**AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION**

All public comments and requests must be submitted either electronically at

<https://www14.tceq.texas.gov/epic/eComment/>

or in writing to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. Please be aware that any contact information you provide, including your name, phone number, email address and physical address will become part of the agency's public record. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the TCEQ Public Education Program, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040 or visit their website at

[www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/pep](http://www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/pep)

Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040.

Further information may also be obtained from El Paso County Tornillo Water Improvement District at the address stated above or by calling Ms. Marlena Hernandez, Business Manager, at 915-764-2966.

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**COMISIÓN DE CALIDAD AMBIENTAL DEL ESTADO DE TEXAS**



**AVISO DE RECIBO DE LA SOLICITUD Y EL INTENTO DE OBTENER PERMISO PARA LA CALIDAD DEL AGUA RENOVACION PERMISO NO. WQ0014529001**

**SOLICITUD**  
El Paso County

Tornillo Water Improvement District, P.O. Box 136, Tornillo, Texas 79853, ha solicitado a la Comisión de Calidad Ambiental del Estado de Texas (TCEQ) para renovar el Permiso No. WQ0014529001 (EPA I.D. No. TX0126772) del Sistema de Eliminación de Descargas de Contaminantes de Texas (TPDES) para autorizar la descarga de aguas residuales tratadas en un volumen que no sobrepasa un flujo promedio diario de 730,000 galones por día. La planta está ubicada en 695 Henderson Road, cerca de la ciudad de Tornillo, en el Condado de El Paso, Texas 79853. La ruta de descarga es del sitio de la planta a el Desagüe Tornillo; de allí a Río Grande Debajo de la presa de desvío de la orilla del río. La TCEQ recibió esta solicitud el 25 de abril de 2025. La solicitud para el permiso estará disponible para leerla y copiarla en Distrito de Mejoramiento de Agua del Condado de Tornillo de El Paso antes de la fecha de publicación de este aviso en el periódico. La solicitud (cualquier actualización y aviso inclusive) está disponible electrónicamente en la siguiente página web

<https://www.tceq.texas.gov/permitting/wastewater/tpdes-applications>

Este enlace a un mapa electrónico de la ubicación general del sitio o de la instalación es proporcionado como una cortesía y no es parte de la solicitud o del aviso. Para la ubicación exacta, consulte la solicitud.

<https://gisweb.tceq.texas.gov/LocationMapper/?marker=-06.105421,31.43454&level=18>

**AVISO DE IDIOMA ALTERNATIVO**

El aviso de idioma alternativo en español está disponible:

<https://www.tceq.texas.gov/permitting/wastewater/tpdes-applications>

**AVISO ADICIONAL**

El Director Ejecutivo de la TCEQ ha determinado que la solicitud es administrativa-mente completa y conducirá una revisión técnica de la solicitud. Después de completar la revisión técnica, el Director Ejecutivo puede preparar un borrador del permiso y emitirá una Decisión Preliminar sobre la solicitud. **El aviso de la solicitud y la decisión preliminar serán publicados y enviado a los que están en la lista de correo de las personas a lo largo del condado que desean recibir los avisos y los que están en la lista de correo que desean recibir avisos de esta solicitud. El aviso dará la fecha límite para someter comentarios públicos.**

**COMENTARIO PUBLICO / REUNION PUBLICA**

Usted puede presentar comentarios públicos o pedir una reunión pública sobre esta solicitud. El propósito de una reunión pública es dar la oportunidad de presentar comentarios o hacer preguntas acerca de la solicitud. La TCEQ realiza una reunión pública si el Director Ejecutivo determina que hay un grado de interés público suficiente en la solicitud o si un legislador local lo pide. Una reunión pública no es una audiencia administrativa de lo contencioso.

**OPORTUNIDAD DE UNA AUDIENCIA ADMINISTRATIVA DE LO CONTENCIOSO**

Después del plazo para presentar comentarios públicos, el Director Ejecutivo considerará todos los comentarios apropiados y preparará una respuesta a todo los comentarios públicos esenciales, pertinentes, o significativos. **A menos que la solicitud haya sido referida directamente a una audiencia administrativa de lo contencioso, la respuesta a los comentarios y la decisión del Director Ejecutivo sobre la solicitud serán enviados por correo a**

todos los que presentaron un comentario público y a las personas que están en la lista para recibir avisos sobre esta solicitud. Si se reciben comentarios, el aviso también proveerá instrucciones para pedir una reconsideración de la decisión del Director Ejecutivo y para pedir una audiencia administrativa de lo contencioso. Una audiencia administrativa de lo contencioso es un procedimiento legal similar a un procedimiento legal civil en un tribunal de distrito del estado.

**PARA SOLICITAR UNA AUDIENCIA DE CASO IMPUGNADO, USTED DEBE INCLUIR EN SU SOLICITUD LOS SIGUIENTES DATOS:**

su nombre, dirección, y número de teléfono; el nombre del solicitante y número del permiso; la ubicación y distancia de su propiedad/actividad con respecto a la instalación; una descripción específica de la forma cómo usted sería afectado adversamente por el sitio de una manera no común al público en general; una lista de todas las cuestiones de hecho en disputa que usted presente durante el periodo de comentarios; y la declaración "[Yo/nosotros] solicito/solicitamos una audiencia de caso impugnado". Si presenta la petición para una audiencia de caso impugnado de parte de un grupo o asociación, debe identificar una persona que representa al grupo para recibir correspondencia en el futuro; identificar el nombre y la dirección de un miembro del grupo que sería afectado adversamente por la planta o la actividad propuesta; proveer la información indicada anteriormente con respecto a la ubicación del miembro afectado y su distancia de la planta o actividad propuesta; explicar cómo

y porqué el miembro sería afectado; y explicar cómo los intereses que el grupo desea proteger son pertinentes al propósito del grupo.

Después del cierre de todos los periodos de comentarios y de petición que aplican, el Director Ejecutivo enviará la solicitud y cualquier petición para reconsideración o para una audiencia de caso impugnado a los Comisionados de la TCEQ para su consideración durante una reunión programada de la Comisión.

La Comisión sólo puede conceder una solicitud de caso impugnado sobre los temas que el solicitante haya presentado en sus comentarios oportunos que no fueron retirados posteriormente. **Si se concede una audiencia, el tema de la audiencia estará limitado a cuestiones de hecho en disputa o cuestiones mixtas de hecho y de derecho relacionadas a intereses pertinentes y materiales de calidad del agua que se hayan presentado durante el periodo de comentarios. Si ciertos criterios se cumplen, la TCEQ puede actuar sobre una solicitud para renovar un permiso sin proveer una oportunidad de una audiencia administrativa de lo contencioso.**

<https://www14.tceq.texas.gov/epic/eComment/>

o por escrito dirigidos a la Comisión de Texas de Calidad Ambiental, Oficial de la Secretaría (Office of Chief Clerk), MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. Tenga en cuenta que cualquier información personal que usted proporcione, incluyendo su nombre, número de teléfono, dirección de correo electrónico y dirección física pasarán a formar parte del registro público de la Agencia. Para obtener más información acerca de esta solicitud de permiso o el proceso de permisos, llame al programa de educación pública de la TCEQ, gratis, al 1-800-687-4040. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040.

**LISTA DE CORREO**

Si somete comentarios públicos, un pedido para una audiencia administrativa de lo contencioso o una reconsideración de la decisión del Director Ejecutivo, la Oficina del Secretario Principal enviará por correo los avisos públicos en relación con la solicitud. Además, puede pedir que la TCEQ ponga su nombre en una o más de las listas de correos siguientes (1) la lista de correo permanente para recibir los avisos del solicitante indicado por nombre y número del permiso específico y/o (2) la lista de correo de todas las solicitudes en un condado específico. Si desea que se

agrega su nombre en una de las listas designe cual lista(s) y envíe por correo su pedido a la Oficina del Secretario Principal de la TCEQ.

**INFORMACIÓN DISPONIBLE EN LÍNEA**

Para detalles sobre el estado de la solicitud, favor de visitar la Base de Datos Integrada de los Comisionados en

[www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/cid](http://www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/cid)

Para buscar en la base de datos, utilizar el número de permiso para esta solicitud que aparece en la parte superior de este aviso.

**CONTACTOS E INFORMACIÓN A LA AGENCIA**

Todos los comentarios públicos y solicitudes deben ser presentadas electrónicamente vía:

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También se puede obtener información adicional del El Paso County Tornillo Water Improvement District a la dirección indicada arriba o llamando a Sra. Marlena Hernández al 915-764-2966.

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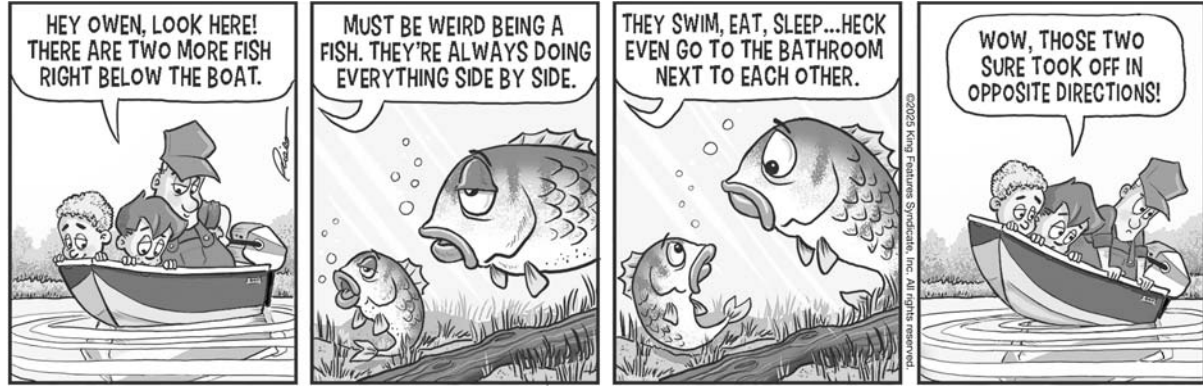


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Lowry

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hasn't been sabotaged by the Deep State. No, he got exactly what he wanted, with a couple of strokes of his pen.

The problem is that Trump didn't run in 2024 on economic dislocation, business uncertainty, higher prices or pain for manufacturers. People didn't want any of these things and, understandably, don't like them.

It's true that he promised tariffs, although all the potential downsides were ignored or minimized. No one could be certain whether he was truly talking of tariffs on the scale of those he imposed on Liberation Day – shocking and unsustainable – or those of his first term, which were much smaller and less disruptive.

Listening to him during the campaign and his Inaugural Address, you'd have thought he promised a Golden Age starting on Day One. Instead, his message has shifted to the notion that the sunny uplands are off somewhere in the future, after we work through all the gut-wrenching turmoil. In other words, the Golden Age is coming, but, in the meantime, stock up

on toilet paper.

Trump's other numbers aren't looking so great, either. The Fox News poll has him at 40% approve and 54% disapprove on foreign policy. Here, too, he's been the master of his own fate. Canada, Mexico and Denmark didn't pick fights with him; he created them out of nothing. The overpromising on a Ukraine peace deal – and retaking the Panama Canal – can't be helping, either.

Defenders of Trump's unorthodox way of doing business will often say that he's a "disrupter," meaning it as a compliment. But what he's been disrupting lately is his own presidency. His splashy tariff announcements, rapid reversals and sense of mystery where he's headed next all have real-world consequences on businesses, consumers and allied nations, and none of it is redounding to his political benefit.

The good news is that having created this situation of his own volition, he can undo most of it if he reverses field on the tariffs. In the meantime, the vibe has definitely changed.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review. ©2025 by King Features Synd., Inc.

Long-term, persistent dry cough could be asthma

DEAR DR. ROACH: I have a dry cough that's been going on for about 13-14 years. I'm a healthy 62-year-old and read that it is called "cough variant asthma." I would like to know more about this but can't really find anything about it, except that it will eventually get worse if it's not treated. I was checked twice in the past 15 years for asthma, and I wasn't diagnosed. However, I've not been diagnosed with any acid reflux or postnasal drip. – D.S.



Although most people think that asthma causes wheezing, cough is a very common symptom of asthma. You've named the two other most common causes of chronic cough: acid reflux and postnasal drip. It can be tricky to make these diagnoses.

Very often, primary care doctors will do a "therapeutic trial" that involves a short-term prescription to see if there is improvement. For acid reflux, it might be an H2 blocker like famotidine (Pepcid), which acts faster than a proton-pump inhibitor like omeprazole. This is often faster, easier, and much less expensive than a diagnostic test like a 24-hour pH monitor (the gold-standard diagnostic test).

Similarly, a physician might give a trial of asthma medication (such as a bronchodilator like albuterol) to see if it stops the cough, rather than immediately testing a person's pulmonary function with a trial of bronchodilators – a standard diagnostic test for asthma. Sometimes a pulmonologist will order a "methacholine challenge test" where an airway irritant is given at very low doses to see if it will trigger an asthma response in the lung. Postnasal drip can sometimes be confirmed by a physical exam, but a fiberoptic laryngoscopy is seldom necessary to make the diagnosis.

When therapeutic trials are not helpful, diagnostic tests become necessary. I personally order lung testing before and after bronchodilators on all patients with suspected asthma, as the tests give important information beyond a diagnosis. Lung testing can be used to follow the course of the disease and identify whether there may be a separate problem in addition to asthma.

DEAR DR. ROACH: I am a 69-year-old male. I exercise five days per week and eat healthy. I take losartan, simvastatin, Xarelto and metoprolol. I have gotten the COVID and flu shots yearly but still end up catching the flu. What gives? – J.L.P.

I wish the flu shot was perfect, but it isn't. Each year, the flu shot is usually around 30% to 50% effective at protecting people from getting the flu. Still, 50% protection is a lot better than no protection at all. Furthermore, if you do get the flu, people who have received the vaccine tend to have milder cases, which is very similar to the COVID vaccines.

The flu is pretty contagious, so if you are in close contact with a lot of different people, you are likely to get exposed. You can reduce your risk of the flu (and COVID) by keeping away from large groups or wearing a mask, in addition to getting your yearly vaccine.

Dr. Roach regrets that he is unable to answer individual questions, but will incorporate them in the column whenever possible. Readers may email questions to [ToYourGoodHealth@med.cornell.edu](mailto:ToYourGoodHealth@med.cornell.edu). ©2025 North America Synd., Inc. All Rights Reserved.

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**Moore Texas by Roger Moore**

May 25, 1995: The Texas Legislature designates the Prickly Pear cactus as the official State Plant.

**CryptoQuip**

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: F equals N

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**Weekly SUDOKU**

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦**

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging

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♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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**The benefits of Stand Downs**



by Freddy Groves

Will you be taking advantage of the services offered at the annual Stand Downs this summer? Or will you step up and volunteer to assist?

Either way, you're sure to benefit from what you'll find at a Stand Down.

The Stand Downs, started in 1988, provide services to homeless veterans or those at risk of homelessness. Whether you attend a one-, two- or three-day event, you'll be welcomed. Services are varied, and depend on the location and the length of the event. You might find hot showers, clean clothes and food. Direct care can range from haircuts, dental care, treatment for substance abuse and legal advice, to help with your VA claim, housing or mental health counseling, as well as health screenings.

You'll likely find employment search help and

benefits counseling from the wide range of veteran service organizations, agencies or individual groups that work at each Stand Down.

Sometimes the events are right on the grounds of the local VA facility, or sometimes they'll be at a local fairground or park. To find a location and the dates in your area, check [www.va.gov/homeless/events.asp](http://www.va.gov/homeless/events.asp). Also keep an eye on the National Coalition for Homeless Veterans ([nchv.org/current-stand-downs](http://nchv.org/current-stand-downs)) for their list. Check both lists as time goes on and new events are added. They generally run through the summer into fall.

If you're going to need a ride, don't wait until the last minute. Call the contact person listed for each event and be sure they can help you.

As for volunteering, again, don't wait. Groups are putting their events together right now and need to know how many will be helping. To get started you can also call the closest VA medical center and ask for the Homeless Coordinator.

No matter how you pitch in, your efforts will be appreciated.

Whether you attend a Stand Down as a veteran in need of services or as a volunteer, it might be the most rewarding thing you do this year.

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• J.C. in Florida writes: "The one thing I might add [to your tips about preparing deviled eggs] is making sure the eggs are point down during storage so that the yolks are centered if stuffing." Great point! A little vinegar in the boiling water will help to keep egg in the shell if it cracks.

• "I love to put photos of family on the fridge. But I found that the photos were getting ruined from grease and moisture in the air. To get around that - and to really preserve them - I cleaned and laminated them. Afterward, I hot-glued little magnets to the backs, and now I can move them around to accommodate new photos. There are so many, and it gives me pleasure to look at them." - C.R. in Oklahoma

• Lower your water heater temperature from 140 F to 120 F. You will save money on heating water, and you will reduce your risk of scalding from hot temperatures.

• "Add a cinnamon stick or softener sheet to your vacuum bag when you change it. While you clean, you will distribute the good smell throughout your home." - F.H. in Colorado

• Got a squeak in your hardwood floors? Dust a sprinkling of baby powder at the source of the squeak, and use a brush to get it in the cracks. The powder can help to lubricate the boards and remove the squeak.

• Baking soda can clean many types of stained plastic or takeout storage containers for use again. Wet the item and use a liberal amount of baking soda as a scrub. It's abrasive but gentle, and safe for food.

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**GO FIGURE!**

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.

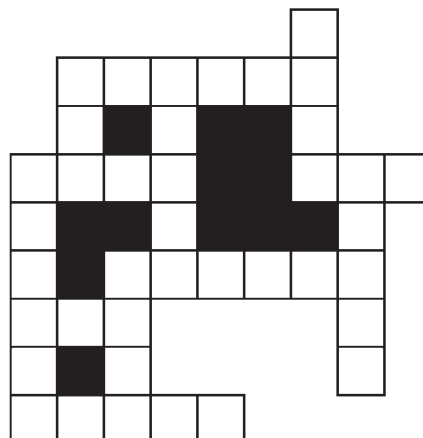
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Unscramble these twelve letter strings to form each into an ordinary word (ex. HAGNEC becomes CHANGE). Prepare to use only ONE word from any marked (♥) letter string as each unscrambles into more than one word (ex. ♥RATHE becomes HATER or EARTH or HEART). Fit each string's word either across or down to knot all twelve strings together.

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