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To: Wessel, Ann (ECY)
Subject: Comment on proposed Sequim area water well restrictions

To whom it concerns at Ecology:

My wife and I would both like to voice our VERY strong opposition to your proposed restrictions on water wells here in the Sequim area.

Your ideas make absolutely no sense at all and smacks of nothing but wacked out enviro extremism. Unless you can repeal the law of gravity there is no way my well or any other well in the future that is drawing water some 75-100 feet below the bottom of the Dungeness River bed can have ANY impact on the water flow levels of the river. Please don't insult my intelligence with your nonsense.

To outlaw outside well water use will mean landscaping on new construction will be extremely limited. We built our house in this area eight years ago and I can assure you that without watering our landscaping virtually non of it would survive since Sequim only gets about 12-15 inches of rain each year. But there is plenty of water flowing down the river from the snow melt year round.

This will have a negative impact on existing land. Just recently we learned of a vacant 1.8 acre lot on our own street that a couple from outside of Washington purchased several years ago with the intention of building a home and retiring here soon. But upon hearing of the coming restrictions they have decided to sell and locate elsewhere.

Now, we would not be directly impacted by this law, but I'm betting like the sun rises in the east that within a few years you people will be wanting to meter and restrict ALL existing wells, not just new ones. But the point is anyway, that your proposals are eminently unfair and harsh on existing landowners who may be looking to build in the future. And what will all this accomplish in the real world - absolutely NOTHING of any productive or useful purpose.

And the idea of selling water rights in order to drill a well is nothing but a clear-cut government money grab, plain and simple. We're sick of the government at all levels bleeding us dry. Enough is enough. You people in the government are like my dog and her food. No matter how much food the dog gets it's not enough, and with you government busy-bodies no matter how much money you get it's never enough. Could you please do something productive for society for a change instead of harassing us hard working, tax paying citizens with our own money.

Two concerned & fed-up citizens,

Greg & Joanna Carroll
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