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**Sent:** Monday, June 11, 2012 2:55 PM  
**To:** Wessel, Ann (ECY)  
**Subject:** Water Fiasco Letter

Dear Ms. Wessel,

I and my family have lived in the Sequim area since the 70's. We have seen a lot of changes. But, we haven't noticed much change in the amount of water in the Dungeness River. It looks the same, each year, as it always has!

I question the need for a water management rule, in the first place. The majority of the water being used, that impacts the river, is from irrigation. We need our farms to be healthy, and continue. But, with the loss of so many large farms, over decades, the irrigators now take far less water from the river.

Secondly, how can you put a rule in place, without us knowing what the regulations and actions that will affect us all, actually are? How much will the mitigation fee be? How much will it cost to buy additional outside water? Will we all be able to buy additional irrigation water? Where will the Water Exchange be located? How will they be run? Who will oversee them? There are many questions--too many!

I would like to make this my formal statement, to be added to the record for the Dungeness Water Management Rule.

Thank you.

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