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September 15, 2015

Mr. Dan Cox  
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Mount Vernon, WA 98273

**Re: Temporary Trust Water Right Donation CG1-\*02213C@2  
(Groundwater Certificate 1347-A) – Island County (WRIA 6)**

Dear Mr. Cox:

The purpose of this letter is to acknowledge the Department of Ecology (Ecology) has accepted your request to donate Groundwater Certificate 1347-A into the Washington State Trust Water Right Program. The subject trust water right has been assigned control number CG1-\*02213C@2. Please refer to this number when corresponding with us about this trust water right.

**Original Attributes of Groundwater Certificate 1347-A**

**Issued to:** Whidbey Construction Company

**Priority Date:** November 13, 1951

**Source:** A well in the S $\frac{1}{2}$  NW $\frac{1}{4}$  NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 26, Township 33 North, Range 1 East, W.M.

**Instantaneous Rate:** 350 gallons per minute (gpm)

**Annual Volume:** 140 acre-feet per year (afy)

**Purpose of Use:** Domestic supply, industrial, and manufacturing use

**Place of Use:** That portion of the S $\frac{1}{2}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 26, Township 33 North, Range 1 East, W.M., lying West of State Highway 1-D, formerly a county road running North and South through said subdivision, except roads.

**Background Information**

On June 13, 1963, Mount Vernon Sand & Gravel Co. purchased the subject property and water right from Whidbey Construction Company. Mount Vernon Sand & Gravel Co. changed its name to Concrete Nor'West, Inc. in 1967. Concrete Nor'West was then sold to and became a division of Miles Sand & Gravel Co. in 1979.



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On July 31, 2015, Ecology received your request to temporarily donate the subject right into the trust program. According to the information supplied with your request, the full certificated instantaneous rate and annual volume have been put to beneficial use within the past 5 years. The most recent beneficial use of water was in December 2012. On January 1, 2013, Concrete Nor'West discontinued aggregate processing and ready mix operations on the subject property.

Your intent for placing the subject water right into trust is to protect it from relinquishment while Concrete Nor'West determines the subsequent use of the property and associated water right, and to provide for groundwater preservation.

### **Your Requested Terms**

1. You requested to donate the entire right (350 gpm and 140 afy) into temporary trust for groundwater preservation purposes.
2. You requested a 10 year donation period.
3. You requested the ability to withdraw the temporary donation from trust by providing a 30 day written notice to Ecology.

### **Ecology's Acceptance**

The Department of Ecology pursuant to RCW 90.42.080(1)(b) **accepts your terms and temporary donation of 350 gpm and 140 afy for groundwater preservation.**

As per your request, **this temporary donation will expire on September 15, 2025.** If, prior to the expiration of this temporary donation, you would like to extend or revoke the temporary donation, or modify its terms, please send us a written request. Also, as per your request, **if you decide to withdraw your donation from the trust program, please provide Ecology with a 30 day written notice.**

**Ecology's acceptance of the donated water right into the trust water right program is not evidence of the extent, validity, or quantities of the water right.**

In accordance with RCW 90.42.040(6), RCW 90.14.140(h), and RCW 90.14.215, a water right is not subject to relinquishment while it is managed within the Trust Water Right Program.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact Buck Smith at (425) 649-7147 or [buck.smith@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:buck.smith@ecy.wa.gov).

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**Your Right To Appeal**

You have a right to appeal this Order to the Pollution Control Hearings Board (PCHB) within 30 days of the date of receipt of this Order. The appeal process is governed by Chapter 43.21B RCW and Chapter 371-08 WAC. "Date of receipt" is defined in RCW 43.21B.001(2).

To appeal you must do the following within 30 days of the date of receipt of the Order.

File your appeal and a copy of this Order with the PCHB (see addresses below). Filing means actual receipt by the PCHB during regular business hours.

- Serve a copy of your appeal and this Order on Ecology in paper form - by mail or in person. (See addresses below.) E-mail is not accepted.
- You must also comply with other applicable requirements in Chapter 43.21B RCW and Chapter 371-08 WAC.

<b>Street Addresses</b>	<b>Mailing Addresses</b>
<b>Department of Ecology</b> Attn: Appeals Processing Desk 300 Desmond Drive SE Lacey, WA 98503	<b>Department of Ecology</b> Attn: Appeals Processing Desk PO Box 47608 Olympia, WA 98504-7608
<b>Pollution Control Hearings Board</b> 1111 Israel RD SW Ste 301 Tumwater, WA 98501	<b>Pollution Control Hearings Board</b> PO Box 40903 Olympia, WA 98504-0903

For additional information visit the Environmental Hearings Office  
Website: <http://www.eho.wa.gov>. To find laws and agency rules visit the Washington State  
Legislature Website: <http://www1.leg.wa.gov/CodeReviser>.

Signed at Bellevue, Washington, this 14<sup>th</sup> day of September 2015.



Thomas Buroker  
Water Resources Section Manager

Enclosure: Your Right To Be Heard

By Certified Mail: 7011 0470 0003 3682 3625

