

Riverside State Park Advisory Committee
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Public Comment on the Spokane River Dissolved Oxygen Water Quality Improvement Plan

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Dave Knight
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4601 North Monroe Street
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Dear Mr. Knight,

We are a committee of citizens representing different interest groups in our area that enjoy the use of Riverside State Park. We advise the park management on behalf of these groups, and also provide volunteer services for improvement projects throughout the park.

Riverside State Park is a primary recreational and environmental resource for the Spokane area. The park makes the Spokane area a unique place in which to live. The Spokane River, The Little Spokane River, and Lake Spokane are vital resources and core attractions of one of Washington's largest State parks. These precious water resources provide life-giving habitat to the local wildlife and recreational opportunities for our local citizens.

We at the Riverside State Park Advisory Committee want to reiterate and reaffirm our statement from 2004. We want to express our expectations to the Environmental Protection Agency and the Department of Ecology for providing the maximum level of protection to these irreplaceable water resources, against industrial and other man-made polluters. We will stand behind every effort to a timely and optimal restoration and preservation of these precious, life-giving resources of Riverside State Park and it's surrounding natural areas.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on behalf of the entire advisory membership committee, including those listed and not listed below.

Sincerely,



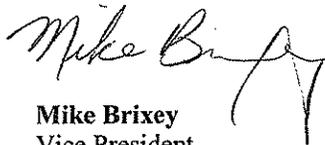
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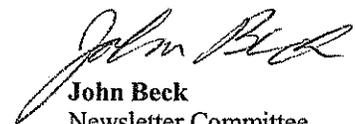
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