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Sent: Friday, July 06, 2012 3:03 PM
To: Wessel, Ann (ECY)
Subject: Water Use Limitations

Dear Ms. Wessel

The Department of Ecology (DOE) is proposing a number of significant limitation on water usage in the Dungeness Valley (WRIA 18). I am a concerned resident that also works in the economic development field on the Olympic Peninsula. We are a distressed rural county. Everything that happens on the Olympic Peninsula is all about JOBS. This proposed set of rules will not only stifle any kind of growth, but will also adversely impact economic development. How can new jobs be created or businesses grow with this set of rules in place?

Can you tell me what the REAL benefit of these rules are? What is the cost of implementation and would it outweigh the benefits by a factor of 10? It appears the process that produced these rules is flawed and again the DOE is putting mandates and rules ahead of logic and common sense.

Please consider putting the rule making timeline on hold until an independent economic impact study can be done. Not one done by the DOE, such as Mr. Hoff already did, that was probably ignored because the study did not say what the DOE wanted it to say (based on Mr. Hoff's removal from his position upon publishing the study).

The citizens of Clallam County are not going to have the DOE making decisions for us without proving to us through an independent economic impact study that these rules are lawful, logical and beneficial to us.

Thank you
Susan Bauer

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