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Rulemaking Lead Sawabini,

As a rural resident in Whatcom county on well water, I am concerned about the new restrictions you are proposing. You say thios is to protect stream and river flows but what science do you have the residential deep wells (over 150 ft) effect stream and river water levels? The science and studies I've seen says it doesn't. Also have the people on your committee ever tried to live on 500 gallons a day? Are those on city or community water system going to be held to the same standard? Where they get their water from effects stream, river and lake levels more than individual wells. Will these regulations be applied across the state or just in Whatcom County? The new regulations you are proposing will be help up in court and probably overturned. Wasting taxpayer dollars. I am against these regulations, and will join the fight to overturn them.

My other concern is how you committee has refused to listen to the voters that are in the area. Structuring local meetings so that people could not express disagreement with you

500 gallons per day? We can either shower, flush toilets, do laundry, or water outdoor plants but we won't be able to live a comfortable life. Why should rural water users have this put on them when those in cities do not?

Thank you.

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