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On behalf of the Southwest WA League of United Latin American Citizens Council 47013, I am writing to request that Vancouver Lake be considered as a priority for establishing a TMDL and receive the adequate level of funding for water improvement. This long neglected lake is a cultural asset not only for water recreation but for Latinx families and children who enjoy the outdoors and accessibility to healthy lakes for swimming, boating and outdoor learning. It is important that our natural features like Vancouver Lake within close proximity to a city or urban area be managed adequately for resource protection and enjoyment of the public. Vancouver Lake is heavily used by local Latinx families and children and they too deserve to have a healthy lake to swim and play in. We ask Department of Ecology to prioritize Vancouver Lake for a TMDL in order to sustain a healthy water body for all to enjoy safely and to learn conservation values from.

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