

## Brent Kirk

Perfect. Thank you. It's getting out of hand down there and I feel like the City has no control over it.

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On Wed, Nov 4, 2020 at 3:26 PM Khan, Heather (ECY) <HKHA461@ecy.wa.gov> wrote:

Hello Brent,

Thank you for bringing this to my attention. I will talk with folks in our Water Resources Program to get further insight on this matter.

Kindest regards,

Heather

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Hi Heather,

I know that there have been concerns about reduce flows in the pilchuck due to individual property owners drilling wells, so I thought you would like to know the DOE in the past 2 months has approved 2 wells to be drilled less on riverfront lots on Paradise Lane without any notification to the city. I was told by Sno Co Health District that these are being permitted for "irrigation purposes" by DOE and the District, which is BS because I know that the people are using them down there for potable water and living on these lots with blackballed septic systems, but I can't prove it once they bury the septic. And the city evidently is not being looped in on the permit issuance for these wells from DOE. So you may want to talk to someone in your organization about banning well permits in that area because everyone down there knows how to work the system now and I expect others to apply and be granted permits from DOE in the future. I don't understand why DOE would permit these wells so easily within 200-300 ft from the river when the TMDL clearly shows that these actions are detrimental to temperature and stream flows.

Anyway, I just thought I would loop you in on this as we review the TMDL impacts on the City's future with our wastewater treatment plant.

Thanks

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