## E. Beckwith

I support Soap Lake's Tier III B Outstanding Resource Water designation. This highly mineralized lake is known for the relief it provides for those with certain ailments, in particular psoriasis. Its mineral content is diminishing due to a variety of challenges. I support the Soap Lake Conservancy and the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation in taking decisive action to support protection of the lake.

The habitat is unique, attracting both fresh and mineral water shorebirds. Because tourists visit the lake seeking relaxation and/or relief from various skin ailments, this mineral lake is an essential part of the economy of the community of Soap Lake. The lake deserves to be protected.

I fully support Soap Lake's designation as a Tier III B Outstanding Resource Water. Thank you.