

# City of Soap Lake

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It is imperative to keep Soap Lake healthy and safe from Highway 17 wash off. This designation will help us to work with DOT and granting organizations to best serve our community and visitors by building a protective swale between Highway 17 and Soap Lake.

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In summary a designation of ORW Tier III (B), will set Soap Lake and the City of Soap Lake apart distinguishing it further ecologically, economically, regionally and culturally.

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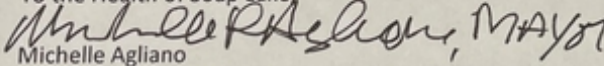
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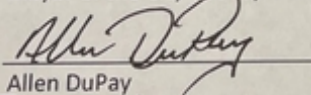
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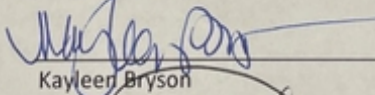
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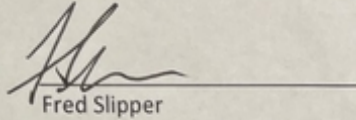
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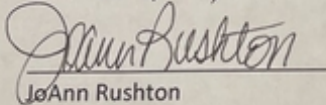
  
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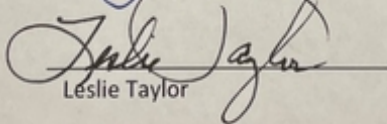
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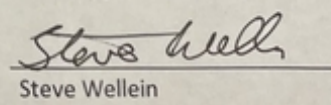
  
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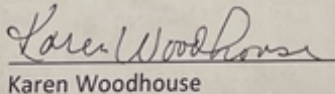
  
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