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Mark Storey, Chair Palouse Basin Aquifer Committee RE: Water Reuse Facility

Chairman Storey,

Last week at our monthly Citizens Advisory Group (CAG) meeting our agenda included a recap of the Dec. 6th dinner with our Washington legislative delegation. In attendance that evening were Mark Storey, Jerry Fairley, Steve Robischon and myself along with guests Senator Mark Schoesler and Representatives Buri and Hailey. The evening provided an excellent opportunity to update the delegation on the work being done in the Palouse Basin as well as to promote funding opportunities within the Dept. of Ecology's 2007-2009 budget for potential work in the future.

During that meeting Senator Schoesler reiterated his strong support for the proposed water reuse facility in Pullman and indicated that local support from CAG and PBAC as well as others involved with our aquifer would be greatly appreciated as he continues to work to secure project funding at the state level.

As chairman of CAG I would then ask, as approved by motion, PBAC to join the CAG in support of the reuse facility and develop a letter of support for the project to be sent to Olympia.

Thank you for your consideration.

Michael Echanove Chair, Citizens Advisory Group (CAG) for the Palouse Basin Aquifer Committee