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Terri A. Lorenzon, Director Environmental Quality Council

RE: Citizen Petition of PRBRC

To whom it may concern,

I wish to express my opposition to this petition and make the following points.

- 1. I am personally dependent upon the produced water I now receive. Were this water source to be lost I would suffer insurmountable economic disaster. This water is also of untold benefit to wildlife and riparian flora.
- 2. Additional regulatory approval for instream uses would be redundant, expensive and of no value.
- 3. New discharge standards are being proposed without scientific basis or technical data. The current standards have been working for many years and I see no reason to alter them. At a minimum, any new standards should grandfather in the water producers who have been discharging for many years and apply only to new developments.
- 4. The changes proposed would have devastating economic impacts on the Big Horn Basin as well as the rest of Wyoming. Much of the oil and gas industry that is so economically important to the citizens of Wyoming would be lost.
- 5. I do not feel any changes should be made until meetings are held throughout the state, to give other concerned citizens an opportunity to express themselves.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Les Cannella

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