

Grant Beck

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Dear Mr. Beck,

I am writing this because of my *huge concern* over the water issues that seem to keep coming up.
First of all - the community should be "publicly" notified concerning the changes the city wishes to impose concerning the pumping of water.
Yes - you can find the info if you know where to look and under which hidden agenda.
Something this important should be on the front page of the NVN, not to mention on the front page of the city's homepage.
Especially when deadlines are concerned.
Pumping five times more water than what is occurring now will definitely have an affect of the surrounding homes that are on wells which is there only source of water as well as a significant impact on the environment. *An Environmental Impact Statement is definitely required.* Since the Highlands, LLC is in default and is up for auction, the city does not have legal access. So how can decisions be made concerning that property at this point.
My well has already been compromised because of the building, wetlands, dirt piles being left and Thompson Creek being affected.
Therefore, As a property owner, with a well for its source of water, and who will definitely be impacted if the aquifer drops at all, I am requesting an official response concerning this matter.

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"a total water portfolio for Yelm (both existing and new water rights) of 4,186 acre feet?"

Jeeppers! Yelm has an allocation of 796.66 acre feet per year now from the DOE.
The city wants to pump 5 times more?

2. has anyone ever thought what that much water pumped would do to private water users' wells?

Or Thompson Creek?

Some have. *READ THIS!

<<http://www.mastersconnection.com/index.php/articles/324-the-city-of-yelm-wants-to-supply-its-1200-acre-sw-annex-with-water-from-new-sources>>*

3. The MDNS says "The City of Yelm as lead agency for this action..."

WHY is the city the lead agency when the Dept. of Ecology is already on this issue?

4. Thurston Highlands is the location of this proposal. Several key questions arise from the location:

- Thurston Highlands, LLC is in default, the developers are out of the picture?
- how do the banks that now own the Highlands land feel about the city wanting to pump water from land they control and is up for public auction June 5th?
- does the city have an easement or ownership on the Highlands property?
(i.e. NO!)

The city's easements rights expired last year.

- the Water System Plan is based on land the city does not have a right to access.

5. Pumping 5 times more water than today "does not have a probable significant adverse

impact on the environment. An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) will not be required..."

WHAT ARE THESE PEOPLE THINKING!

6. Why is something so important not on the city's Homepage, rather buried on the Public Notices page?

Does the Community Development Dept. not want the community to know?