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Re: Green River Over Appropriation of Water

Dear Jerry:

With regard to the over appropriation of the waters on the Green River I would like to offer the following comments. Water needs change over time. Old appropriations may not be feasible or in the best interest of the state. The 50 year limit from date of approval creating a priority right needs to be revisited.

With different technological uses and the changes that take place at an ever increasing rate in the world today, our system of appropriating water needs to be versatile enough to keep up with these ever changing needs. As you are well aware, some of the old applications which place a paper draw on the Greens appropriation will not be applicable today. Fifty years is too long to hold an application that is merely speculation or no longer pertains to the business world today.

Our system must be versatile enough to adapt to and accommodate current needs. It would take a considerable effort to appropriately change the current way water is administered. This is a challenge that you are aware of and I appreciate your endeavors in this regard. Thank you for your conscientious efforts as the State Water Engineer. If there is anything I can do to assist, please feel free to communicate.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'D. Brad Hancock'.

D. Brad Hancock
City Manager

- c. Larry Anderson, Board of Water Resources
Randy Crozier, Duchesne County Water Conservancy District
Scott Rupp, Uintah County Water Conservancy District