

March 4, 2023

Teresa Wilhelmsen, State Engineer

Utah Division of Water Rights

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We, members of Iron County Farm Bureau, applaud your willingness to work with the water users in Parowan Valley in participating in a ground water management plan together. We appreciate your help at the legislature in making it possible for the Parowan Valley Pumpers Association to get a recharge permit.

We feel that metering the water will be a big help in optimizing the use of it. We feel that there needs to be a 20 year span between each water right cut to enable the community and farmers to better adjust to the economic impacts of the loss of water rights. We feel that as technology and crop advancements progress there will be more opportunities for water savings. We feel there needs to be better incentives for ALL water right holders to save water, not just the junior water right holders. We think there needs to be a funding mechanism implemented to buy out water rights that will be suspended.

Thank you for your consideration,

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The Honorable William W. Stewart, Governor

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We, the members of Iron County Farm Bureau, appreciate your willingness to work with the water

rights community in the region in making a decision for the Rowan Valley Pumping

Association to get a recharge permit.

We feel that meeting the water needs of a big farm in a farming area is of great importance. We feel that there

needs to be a 10 year agreement with each water right holder to help the community and farmers

to better adapt to the changing climate of the region. We feel that as technology

and agricultural equipment changes, the water right holder should be able to water manage. We feel

there needs to be better incentives for all water right holders to conserve water, not just the junior

water right holder. We think there needs to be a plan for irrigation water management to buy out

water rights that will be used.

Thank you for your consideration.

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