

December 11, 2018

Senator Brad Hawkins
12th Legislative District
PO Box 4042
Olympia, WA 98504-0412

Re: 2019 Capital Budget Funding Request for \$2,013,000
Wenatchi Landing Sewer Extension Project

Dear Senator Hawkins:

Please consider supporting a funding request for \$2,013,000 for the Wenatchi Landing Sewer Extension.

The Wenatchi Landing Sewer Extension project, at a cost of \$4,026,000, will provide a vital urban service to promote multi-county economic development in an area perfectly poised for growth. Development of this area into a thriving job center, with tourist and recreation destinations, will yield measurable economic and fiscal benefits for the local communities as well as Washington State.

The planning for this project has been ongoing for over 4 years and involves the participation of Douglas County, the Port of Douglas County, and the Douglas County Sewer District. Also instrumental in the planning of this project are the Dept. of Transportation, the Douglas County PUD, the East Wenatchee Water District, the Eastmont School District, the Douglas County Fire District, the Eastmont Metropolitan Parks District and other utility and service providers.

A Master Site Plan/Sub Area Plan, a Planned Action Ordinance, and an Economic Model for this project have already been completed and are available upon request.

Tangible benefits of this project include a mix of temporary “construction impacts” as well as “permanent impacts” in terms of tax revenues, fee revenues and employment. At full build out, this project area is planned to consist of retail, office, commercial recreation, mixed used multi-family, recreation/tourism-related uses that generate over 7,000 jobs; and anticipate a return of \$9.00 to over \$112.00 for every dollar of public investment.

The Douglas County Sewer District and Douglas County have committed to fund a 50% match of \$2,013,000 for this exciting project. The Commissioners and Manager of the Douglas County Sewer District respectfully ask for your legislative support for the request of the remaining 50% of the project cost.

Please contact any of us with any questions or comments you may have, and we look forward to working with you to promote economic development that will benefit the larger Chelan and Douglas Counties area.

Sincerely,



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Commissioner



James D Huffman
Commissioner



Mark M Spurgeon
Commissioner