

Dungeness River Management Team

Cooperative Management of Our Watershed's Resources

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October 29, 2021

RE: Support for Dungeness Streamflow Restoration Off-Channel Reservoir Project

To Whom It May Concern:

The Dungeness River Management Team (DRMT) expresses its continued strong support for the Dungeness Off- Channel Reservoir Project, as detailed in the attached *Resolution in Support of the Dungeness Flow Restoration and Aquifer Recharge Off-Channel Reservoir*. Supporting this multi-benefit project reflects our ongoing commitment to better water resource management for all.

The DRMT has supported and helped to facilitate water conservation partnerships within this watershed for over three decades, as documented in the attached *History of DRMT support of streamflow enhancement, storage, and aquifer recharge*. Planning for healthy water supplies and instream habitat has been an important focus of collaboration from the DRMT's beginning. However, meeting our watershed's current and future water needs continues to be a challenge, and more so now as the environmental impacts of climate change become increasingly apparent. We are eager to see this long-envisioned project come to fruition, and are hopeful about the contributions it will make to our area's climate change resiliency.

We appreciate your serious consideration in providing funding assistance to this important project.

Sincerely,

Hansi Hals, Chair, DRMT On behalf of the DRMT

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2021 DRMT Membership

City of Sequim Olympic Peninsula Audubon Society
Clallam County Protect the Peninsula's Future
Clallam Conservation District Riverside Property Owners

Clallam PUD #1 Sports Fisheries
Dungeness National Wildlife Refuge US Forest Service

Dungeness River Audubon Center WA Department of Ecology
Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe Water Users Association

North Olympic Land Trust

Attachments:

- (1) Resolution in Support of the Dungeness Flow Restoration and Aquifer Recharge Off-Channel Reservoir (with updated 2021 DRMT membership)
- (2) History of DRMT support of streamflow enhancement, storage, and aquifer recharge (updated 2021)