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Increased public participation in the granting of water licenses is critical to monitoring the impact on environmental flows. Please revise the process to enable increased public participation.

Lastly, please include an explicit statement that any private right to use water does not harm the public’s interest.

Thank you for protecting water for nature.

Sincerely,

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Invermere

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 6:16 PM

To: Living Water Smart ENV:EX

Subject: Protect water for nature

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 6:12 PM

To: Living Water Smart ENV:EX

Subject: PLEASE Protect water for nature

Dear Premier Clark, Minister Polak and the Living Water Smart Team,

I appreciate the opportunity to comment on the draft proposal for the Water Sustainability Act (WSA).

While the draft proposal is a good start, my hope is that it be revised to include a clear commitment to protect water for nature. Protecting water for nature has to be our top priority. Guidelines are not sufficient. Binding standards are needed in the WSA to protect water for fish, wildlife and stream health.

Similarly, provincial water objectives should make water for fish, wildlife and essential human uses the key objectives. These objectives MUST apply to all industries, including forestry, oil and gas (which includes fracking) and other industries.

With respect to governance, Water Licenses need to be reviewed regularly, rather than as infrequently as every 30 years! Appropriate fee schedules for groundwater and surface water that supports responsible water management are also important.

Increased public participation in the granting of water licenses will be essential to monitor the impact on environmental flows. Please revise the process to enable increased public participation. Lastly, please include an explicit statement that any private right to use water does not harm the public's interest.

Thank you for protecting water for nature.

Sincerely,

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Victoria

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 6:11 PM

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Thank you for protecting water for nature.

Sincerely,

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Wardner

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 5:58 PM

To: Living Water Smart ENV:EX

Subject: Modernization of water protection laws

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Sincerely,

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Nelson, BC

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From \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 5:56 PM

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Sincerely,

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Kimberley

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 5:52 PM

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Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

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Blind Bay BC

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 5:10 PM

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Sincerely,

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Cranbrook

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Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 5:07 PM

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Sincerely,

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Nelson

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 4:59 PM

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Sincerely,

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

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Sincerely,

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]  
Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 4:58 PM  
To: Living Water Smart ENV:EX  
Subject: The one thing we all share in the Pacific Northwest is lots of water.  
Let's protect it well.

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Sincerely,

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 4:55 PM

To: Living Water Smart ENV:EX

Subject: Water Act Modernization

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Sincerely,

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Burnaby

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 4:55 PM

To: Living Water Smart ENV:EX

Subject: Please protect our water for fish, wildlife, and essential human uses

Dear Premier Clark, Minister Polak, and the Living Water Smart Team,

I would like to take this opportunity to comment on the draft proposal for the Water Sustainability Act (WSA).

The draft proposal is a good start, but our water deserves the best possible protection. It is critical that you include more clearly drawn protections and commitments to protect our water. Such protection has to be our top priority. I would suggest that BINDING STANDARDS need to be included in the WSA to protect water for fish, wildlife, and stream health. Guidelines alone are not good enough.

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Lastly, please include an EXPLICIT statement that any PRIVATEe right to use water DOES NOT HARM the public's interest.

Thank you for protecting water for nature.

Sincerely,

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Vancouver

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 4:51 PM

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Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 3:38 PM

To: Living Water Smart ENV:EX

Subject: Protect water for nature

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Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 11:08 AM

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Subject: Protect water for the future

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Dear Premier Clark, Minister Polak and the Living Water Smart Team, M I am grateful for the opportunity to comment on the draft proposal for the Water Sustainability Act (WSA).

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Victoria

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 1:46 PM

To: Living Water Smart ENV:EX

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Prince George

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Salem (Oregon)

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Vancouver

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Windsor

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Please don't sell out our most precious resource!

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 10:02 AM

To: Living Water Smart ENV:EX

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Los Angeles

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Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 11:05 AM

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Water security is the most important issue of our time. What we do today will impact heavily on future generations ability to thrive. In a world with so much climate uncertainty, it is imperative that we take a proactive approach and put our planet's health first and foremost.

Sincerely,

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Nelson, BC

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To: Living Water Smart ENV:EX

Subject: Protect water for nature

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This is an extremely important step to be taken and we need the rules to be very clear as to how we can protect our water. We must ensure there are no loopholes that can be exploited.

First and for most is to protect the water for nature. A healthy nature produces a healthy environment for us to live. Exacting standards must be included to protect our water for all nature from flora and fauna to fish which in turn helps us.

There should be NO exemptions for individuals, industries (forestry, mining, oil and gas). We must protect the interests of fish, wildlife and necessary human uses.

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The practise of "fracking" to extract natural gas must be stopped in our province as it wastes and contaminates water supplies.

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 12:50 PM

To: Living Water Smart ENV:EX

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 12:48 PM

To: Living Water Smart ENV:EX

Subject: NATURE needs water FIRST

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Nature needs water to create more freshwater. Protecting water for nature has to be our NUMBER ONE priority. Binding standards need to be included in the WSA to protect water for fish, wildlife and stream health. Guidelines are not good enough. Without freshwater, nothing lives. Water is too important to be left to chance or the goodness of people's hearts when it suits them.

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After nature, the priority for water rights MUST go to BC's First Nations groups, with a commitment that they put nature first too.

Water for profit, especially private enterprise is the LAST thing we should allow water to be used for. It's simply too valuable.

Thank you for protecting water for nature.

Sincerely,

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Golden

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Thank you for protecting water for nature.

Sincerely,

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Powell River

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 9:24 AM

To: Living Water Smart ENV:EX

Subject: Protect water for nature

Dear Premier Clark, Minister Polak and the Living Water Smart Team,

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I am writing to urge you to include more protections, clarity and commitments to protect water for wild nature. The draft proposal is a good start, but our water deserves the best possible protection and water is just as essential for wildlife and their habitats/homes as for humans.

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Thank you for protecting water for nature.

Sincerely,

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 12:21 PM

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To: Living Water Smart ENV:EX

Subject: Protect water for nature firstly

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Thank you for protecting water for nature.

Sincerely,

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Thank you for protecting water for nature, I pray for the water to be cleansed by raising the vibration to the power of love, since nobody seems to have a better plan .

Sincerely, \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*

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Surrey

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Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 12:02 PM

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This look at our care or lack of ...is imperative even in the short term.

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Windermere BC

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Blind Bay, B.C.

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Langley

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 11:22 AM

To: Living Water Smart ENV:EX

Subject: Greater Protection for Drinking Watersheds and Nature Needed

Dear Premier Clark, Minister Polak and the Living Water Smart Team,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the draft proposal for the Water Sustainability Act (WSA).

I am writing to urge you to include more protections, clarity and commitments to protect water for nature. The draft proposal is a good start, but our water deserves the best possible protection.

Protecting water for nature has to be our top priority. Binding standards need to be included in the WSA to protect water for fish, wildlife and stream health by insuring that there are adequate unpolluted water flows all year. Guidelines are not good enough; it must be in the law.

For humans, the greatest need is to protect community drinking watersheds and this must take priority over any industrial use. Conflicts between users have arisen all across the province on this issue. Likewise, our provincial water objectives must prioritize water for fish and wildlife. These objectives MUST apply to all industries, including forestry, oil and gas (which includes fracking) and other industries. On fracking, more research is needed on the impacts on ground water as we have seen incidents of citizens lighting on fire water emanating from their taps. Massive water takings must be regulated. If necessary, fracking activity must be shut down, where the evidence is clear as in the above cases.

Water Licenses need to be reviewed regularly – not every 30 years! We need to build in the flexibility to adapt to our changing climate.

We need appropriate fee schedules for groundwater and surface water that supports responsible water management. It is scandalous that corporate water takings are free at the moment. Future income generated under the WSA should be sufficient to cover management of all water uses. Incentives should be given to maintain or increase the quality of public water, obviating the need for bottled water, often simply recycled public water anyway, sometimes less safe than the source. Public education should encourage the consumption of public water.

Increased public participation in the granting of water licenses is critical to monitoring the impact on environmental flows. Please revise the process to enable increased public participation. Local watershed management is the best insurance of good management, together with provincial oversight to maintain standards. Please provide a clear mandate and resources for local watershed groups to engage in this important process.

Please include an explicit statement in the Act that water is a human right to be publicly owned and delivered and that any private right to use water does not harm the public's interest.

With these inclusions, I feel that BC will finally have a modern water act for the generations. Water is life!

Sincerely,

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 11:15 AM

To: Living Water Smart ENV:EX

Subject: Protect water for nature

Dear Premier Clark, Minister Polak and the Living Water Smart Team,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the draft proposal for the Water Sustainability Act (WSA).

I am writing to urge you to include more protections, clarity and commitments to protect water for nature. The draft proposal is a good start, but our water deserves the best possible protection.

Protecting water for nature has to be our top priority. Binding standards need to be included in the WSA to protect water for fish, wildlife and stream health. Guidelines are not good enough.

Likewise, our provincial water objectives must prioritize water for fish, wildlife and essential human uses. These objectives MUST apply to all industries, including forestry, oil and gas (which includes fracking) and other industries.

Watershed governance is increasingly important for water management in the 21st century. Please provide a clear mandate and resources for local watershed groups to engage in this important process.

Water Licenses need to be reviewed regularly – not every 30 years! We need to build in the flexibility to adapt to our changing climate.

We need appropriate fee schedules for groundwater and surface water that supports responsible water management. Water use fees must make public ‘cents’.

Increased public participation in the granting of water licenses is critical to monitoring the impact on environmental flows. Please revise the process to enable increased public participation.

Lastly, please include an explicit statement that any private right to use water does not harm the public’s interest.

Thank you for protecting water for nature.

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Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 11:15 AM

To: Living Water Smart ENV:EX

Subject: Protect water for nature

Dear Premier Clark, Minister Polak and the Living Water Smart Team,

As a proud Canadian and a scientist working for improved water testing at the source (watershed) rather than just at the tap, I thank you for the opportunity to comment on the draft proposal for the Water Sustainability Act (WSA).

I am writing to urge you to include more protections, clarity and commitments to protect water for nature. The draft proposal is a good start, but our water deserves the best possible protection. Binding standards need to be included in the WSA to protect water for fish, wildlife and stream health. Guidelines are not good enough. Likewise, these objectives MUST apply to all industries, including forestry, oil and gas (which includes fracking) and other industries.

As such, I ask for 7 major changes be implemented to protect water quality and stewardship. These change include:

- 1) that a scientifically-based definition of water flows and other environmental metrics be provided
- 2) there be a mandate for local watershed groups to be involved in watershed governance
- 3) that private water use not trump the public interest in a water resource.

This should be expressed as an explicit right.

- 4) as such Provincial water objectives should guarantee that environmental flows are enforceable and apply to all sectors equally – no exceptions for forestry, oil and gas, or other industry.

- 5) New water licenses to be reviewed more regularly than every 30 years
- 6) Appropriate fee schedules for groundwater and surface water that support responsible and local management
- 7) Increased public participation in the granting of our water licenses

These issues are very important to us and our opinions and concerns should inform your decisions.

Thank you for protecting water for nature.

Sincerely,

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 11:14 AM

To: Living Water Smart ENV:EX

Subject: Protect water for nature

Dear Premier Clark, Minister Polak and the Living Water Smart Team,

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Likewise, our provincial water objectives must prioritize water for fish, wildlife and essential human uses. These objectives MUST apply to all industries, including forestry, oil and gas (which includes fracking) and other industries.

Watershed governance is increasingly important for water management in the 21st century. Please provide a clear mandate and resources for local watershed groups to engage in this important process.

Water Licenses need to be reviewed regularly – not every 30 years! We need to build in the flexibility to adapt to our changing climate.

We need appropriate fee schedules for groundwater and surface water that supports responsible water management. Water use fees must make public ‘cents’.

Increased public participation in the granting of water licenses is critical to monitoring the impact on environmental flows. Please revise the process to enable increased public participation.

Lastly, please include an explicit statement that any private right to use water does not harm the public’s interest.

Thank you for protecting water for nature.

Sincerely,

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I am writing to urge you to include in you draft proposal more protections, clarity and commitments to protect water for nature. The draft proposal is a good start, but our water deserves the best possible protection.

Protecting water for all of nature, including ourselves, has to be our top priority. Binding standards need to be included in the WSA to protect water for stream health and both fish and wildlife. Guidelines are simply not good enough.

Likewise, our provincial water objectives must prioritize water for essential human uses, for fish, and for wildlife. These objectives MUST apply to all industries, including forestry and farming, plus oil and gas (which includes fracking) and other various endeavours.

Watershed governance is vitally important for water management in the 21st century. Please provide a clear mandate and the resources necessary for local watershed groups to engage in this important process.

Water Licenses need to be reviewed regularly - much more frequently than every 30 years! We must build in the flexibility needed in order to adapt to our rapidly changing climate.

We need appropriate fee schedules for groundwater and surface water that supports responsible water management. Water use fees must recognize that clean water is a finite resource; when the glaciers are gone it will be too late to act.

Increased meaningful public participation in the granting of water licenses is critical to monitoring the impact on environmental flows. Please revise the process to enable some increased public participation in order to make the process more transparent and democratic.

Lastly, please include an explicit statement that any private right to use water does not harm the public's interest. This is a matter of survival for all of nature.

Thank you in anticipation that you will protect our precious water supply.

Sincerely,

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 11:12 AM

To: Living Water Smart ENV:EX

Subject: Protect precious water for nature and people

Dear Premier Clark, Minister Polak and the Living Water Smart Team,

I appreciate the opportunity to comment on the draft proposal for the Water Sustainability Act (WSA). It is an increasingly important document as freshwater scarcity becomes a global problem.

I am writing to urge you to include more protections, clarity and commitments to protect water for nature. The draft proposal is a good start, but our water deserves the best possible protection.

Protecting water for nature has to be our top priority. Binding standards need to be included in the WSA to protect water for fish, wildlife and stream health. Guidelines are not good enough. We do all depend on nature and our natural resources for life.

Likewise, our provincial water objectives must prioritize water for fish, wildlife and essential human uses. These objectives MUST apply to all industries, including forestry, oil and gas (which includes fracking) and other industries.

Watershed governance is increasingly important for water management in the 21st century. Please provide a clear mandate and resources for local watershed groups to engage in this important process. Only the locals know the intricacies of their own water sheds, they should not be under the control of someone sitting behind a desk in a far away city.

Water Licenses need to be reviewed regularly – not every 30 years! We need to build in the flexibility to adapt to our changing climate.

We need appropriate fee schedules for groundwater and surface water that supports responsible water management. Water use fees must make public sense and ‘cents’. Large water bottling corporations should not have unlimited cheap or free access to our fresh water which they make massive profit on. It makes no sense for our environment or our economy.

Increased public participation in the granting of water licenses is critical to monitoring the impact on environmental flows. Please revise the process to enable increased public participation.

Lastly, please include an explicit statement that any private right to use water does not harm the public’s interest.

Thank you for protecting water for nature.

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]  
Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 10:59 AM  
To: Living Water Smart ENV:EX  
Subject: Protect water for nature - don't forget we are part of nature too!

Dear Premier Clark, Minister Polak and the Living Water Smart Team,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the draft proposal for the Water Sustainability Act (WSA).

On a personal note, I had the opportunity to go on a canoe trip on Slocan Lake in the Kootenays this past May and drinking water directly out of the creeks entering the lake changed my life and view on water forever. That was the first time I had ever had a glass of water without treatment. I could suddenly vividly relate to the First Nations and other citizens who live in water sheds that were once pure like the Slocan Lake creeks and now are being toxically polluted by industry. This fundamental right to clean water must be protected for ALL citizens in ALL part so BC.

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Thank you for protecting water for nature.

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 10:56 AM

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Thank you for protecting water for nature.

Sincerely,

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 10:49 AM

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Thank you for protecting water for nature.

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Thank you for protecting water for nature, and humanity.

Sincerely,

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Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 10:47 AM

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Thank you for protecting water for nature.

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Thank you for protecting water for nature.

Sincerely,

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 9:18 AM

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 9:55 AM

To: Living Water Smart ENV:EX

Subject: Protect water for nature

Dear Premier Clark, Minister Polak and the Living Water Smart Team,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the draft proposal for the Water Sustainability Act (WSA).

Although I appreciate the fact that you are taking this step to protect our vital water resource, I am very concerned that there is not enough specificity and clarity in a number of areas, allowing this essential public resource now, and in the future, vulnerable to overuse. My concern is that the companies and industries currently polluting and overusing this irreplaceable and finite resource will be able to continue to do so with impunity and that there is insufficient protection regarding future applications. We need only look at the desperate situation of the citizens of the Philippines to be reminded of our absolute dependence upon abundant, accessible and clean water for our survival. I am writing to urge you to include more comprehensive protection, transparency, specificity, and accountability in the Water Sustainability Act.

In order to protect this essential resource for present and future generations, it must be specifically stated, and precisely laid out, that water is a public resource, and that it is a privilege, not a right, for private interests to make use of it. Therefore, clear and non-negotiable standards must be specified, regarding its use by private interests, with specific details about conditions which, if violated, will result in the cancellation of the license. There must be no ambiguity in the law. If private industry is made aware that their continued usage requires compliance to the specific standards, we can protect this vital resource that is essential to our survival. By making our provincial water objectives' top priorities human use and the preservation of our environment, wildlife and our life sustaining agricultural industry, which are stated unequivocally as applying to ALL industries, we can create a viable economy that will serve present and future generations. The alternative, sacrificing our diminishing supply of pure water for the short-term gains revenues generated by massive and destructive industries, is unthinkable. Polluting and using enormous amounts of water at a time when we are already seeing the effects of climate change such as droughts and significant changes in patterns and timing of precipitation. These presently observable changes are evidence of a very real threat to our future food and water supplies.

The new Water Act can truly protect our water if it clearly prioritizes the protection of water for human needs and for sustaining our natural environment, and guarantees that environmental flows are enforceable and apply to all sectors equally- no exceptions! The water license review process will be effective only if the licenses are reviewed more frequently than every thirty years. At the rate that water is currently being consumed, and with climate change effects predictably accelerating over time, being unable to modify agreements for 30 years would make it impossible to adapt to changing conditions and needs. It is

equally important that any new licenses be issued for shorter durations of time and be equally subject to review.

Public participation in decision-making regarding the issuing of water license is essential in order to protect the public's interests in this vital and finite resource. Water user fees and appropriate user fees for groundwater that makes effective and responsible water management possible, will enable communities to be effective and informed participants in the responsible use and protection of their local watersheds. water.

I thank you for beginning the process of revising a water act that was composed for an earlier century. I urge you to place a very high priority on making the new water act truly effective and accountable in order to protect this vital and vulnerable resource for the next century.

Sincerely,

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Lastly, please include an explicit statement that any private right to use water does not harm the public’s interest.

Thank you for protecting water for nature.

Sincerely,

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From \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 9:51 AM

To: Living Water Smart ENV:EX

Subject: Protect water for nature

Dear Premier Clark, Minister Polak and the Living Water Smart Team,

Below, you will find a "prepared statement" asking you to add further protections into the upcoming revision of the Water Sustainability Act. Here's the bottom line: water is not a resource. Let me repeat, water is NOT a resource. It isn't something to make money from, it isn't some commodity to manage with an economic lens or mindset. Every life form on this planet depends on it for its very survival. More and more across the globe, water is being polluted, depleted and used in completely unsustainable ways. Here in Canada, we have lots of good, clean, healthy water. We need to keep it that way for more than just the next seven generations. We need to keep it that way for as far into the future as you can imagine or there will be no future to imagine. No water, No future. It's really that simple. So take off the "short sighted" lenses and put on the "far sighted" ones. Get it right for all time, not just this time.

Now, back to the regularly scheduled message....

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Thank you for protecting water for nature (and for listening to and acting on this plea).

Sincerely,

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Vancouver, BC

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Sincerely,

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 9:39 AM

To: Living Water Smart ENV:EX

Subject: Protect water for humans and all creatures

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Thank you for your leadership in protecting water for nature.

Sincerely,

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

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Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 9:27 AM

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Subject: Protect water for nature, including humans

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Thank you for protecting water for nature, for all wild plants and animals, for the local humans and their plants and animals. We are all counting on you to protect our water for us.

Sincerely,

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Fort Steele

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Sincerely,

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Department of Anthropology  
University of Victoria

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Victoria

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:t\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 9:20 AM

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Subject: Protect water for nature

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West Vancouver

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 9:12 AM

To: Living Water Smart ENV:EX

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 9:12 AM

To: Living Water Smart ENV:EX

Subject: Protect water for nature and for our children!

Dear Premier Clark, Minister Polak and the Living Water Smart Team,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the draft proposal for the Water Sustainability Act (WSA).

My concern is the saving of our precious water for the future. We must stop fracking and mining that wastes and contaminates our water supplies!

I am writing to urge you to include more protections, clarity and commitments to protect water for nature and for our survival!! The draft proposal is a good start, but our water deserves the best possible protection.

Lastly, please include an explicit statement that any private right to use water does not harm the public's interest.

Thank you for protecting water for nature and for our future.

Sincerely,

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Victoria

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 9:11 AM

To: Living Water Smart ENV:EX

Subject: Protect water for flora fauna and family.

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 9:09 AM

To: Living Water Smart ENV:EX

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There should be zero, ie zero possibility for our water to be sold to companies who bottle it and resell it.

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 8:49 AM

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Sincerely,

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

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Sincerely,

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Golden

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Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 8:53 AM

To: Living Water Smart ENV:EX

Subject: Protect water for nature

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Vernon

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Vancouver, BC

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Sincerely,

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Environmental Technologist (EPt) (AScT)

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South Slocan

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 8:36 AM

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Sincerely,

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Victoria

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

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To: Living Water Smart ENV:EX

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Thank you for protecting water for nature. Without water we have nothing.

Sincerely, \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*

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Honeymoon Bay

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 8:33 AM

To: Living Water Smart ENV:EX

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Surrey

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Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 8:32 AM

To: Living Water Smart ENV:EX

Subject: Protect water for nature

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Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the draft proposal for the Water Sustainability Act (WSA).

We are both writing to urge you to include more protections, clarity and commitments to protect water for nature. The draft proposal is a good start, but our water deserves the very best possible protection.

Protecting water for all living beings and animals has to be our top priority. Binding and enforced standards need to be included in the WSA to protect water for fish, wildlife and stream health.

Guidelines have proven never to be enough, where some greedy individuals or companies wish to abuse the needs of the majority. Thus these objectives MUST apply to all industries, including forestry, oil and gas (which includes fracking) and other industries.

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Water Licenses are key and need to be reviewed regularly – not every 30 years! We need to build in the flexibility to adapt to our changing climate. For climate change is with us for sure.

We need appropriate fee schedules for groundwater and surface water that supports responsible water management. Water use fees must make public ‘cents’.

We request that there is increased public participation in the granting of water licenses. This is critical to monitoring the impact on environmental flows. Please take this seriously and revise the process to enable increased public participation.

Lastly, please include an explicit statement that any private right to use water does not harm the public’s interest. The needs of the majority over-ride individual projects.

Thank you for protecting water for nature.

Sincerely,

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Vcitoria

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 8:30 AM

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Nelson

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Sincerely,

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Abbotsford

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Chilliwack

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Sincerely,

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Cranbrook

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

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Sincerely,

\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*

Kimberley

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 8:19 AM

To: Living Water Smart ENV:EX

Subject: Protect water for nature

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Sincerely,

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 8:16 AM

To: Living Water Smart ENV:EX

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Dear Premier Clark, Minister Polak and the Living Water Smart Team,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the draft proposal for the Water Sustainability Act (WSA).

Water is a precious commodity and it must be protected, not only for human use, but to meet the needs of all other life.

The draft Water Sustainability Act (WSA) is a good start. The need for protection of water cannot be overstated.

Preparing guidelines for users with the hope that they will be responsible is not good enough. Binding standards need to be included in the WSA to protect water for fish, wildlife and stream health as well as complete ecosystems.

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Water Licenses need to be reviewed regularly every 3-5 years not every 30 years. Flexibility in the regulations is critical to adapt to the changing climate regimes in B.C.

Fee schedules for groundwater and surface water that support responsible water management must be put in place and they must apply to all users.

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An explicit statement must be included in the Act that states that any private right to use water does not harm the public's interest.

Thank you for protecting water for nature.

Sincerely,

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Christina Lake, B.C.

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Port Coquitlam

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 8:11 AM

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Subject: Protect the Public -Preserve Clean Water

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Sincerely,

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Kimberley

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Sincerely,

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UVic School of Environmental Studies

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Pender Island

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Salt Spring Island

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 7:56 AM

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Thank you for protecting water for nature.

Sincerely,

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Fernie

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Thank you for protecting water for nature.

Sincerely,

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Fernie

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Thank you for protecting water for nature, human health and the future generation.

Sincerely,

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Fernie

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West Vancouver

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Since our governments are in deep thrall to the wishes of big business, while completely having lost sight of the ordinary people they are supposed to represent- not to mention democratic principles in general, it is clear that increased public participation in the granting of water licenses is critical to assessing environmental and community impacts. Please revise the process to enable increased public participation.

New legislation should include an explicit statement that any private right to use water does not harm the public's interest.

Thank you for protecting water for nature.

Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

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Burnaby

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Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 6:52 AM

To: Living Water Smart ENV:EX

Subject: Protect water for nature

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Sincerely,

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Baynes Lake

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 6:51 AM

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Chilliwack

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Santa Monica

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Grasmere

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New York

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To: Living Water Smart ENV:EX

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Protecting water for nature has to be our top priority. Binding standards need to be included in the WSA to protect water for fish, wildlife, and stream health. Guidelines are not good enough. We need to enforce protections so we have safe and clean drinking water as well. After all, that is our sustenance and you have been granted our trust in overseeing the safety of our environment.

Likewise, our provincial water objectives must prioritize water for fish, wildlife, and essential human uses. These objectives MUST apply to all industries, including forestry, oil and gas (which includes fracking), and other industries. You need also remember that the environment and our natural resources in this province belong to the public, not private individuals. We have granted you our trust to see that this province's citizens are protected from private industry's desire for profit at any cost.

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Thank you for protecting water for nature and for the citizens of the province who you're mandated to represent.

Sincerely,

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Burnaby

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Please consider banning bottled water. Canada has excellent drinking water right from the tap.

We need to protect water in Canada for future generations. Please put in place stringent restrictions on selling, giving, or trading water to the USA.

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Thank you for protecting water for nature.

Sincerely,

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cranbrook

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 6:27 AM

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Fernie, BC

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Thank you for protecting water for nature and our future.

Sincerely,

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Kimberley

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Campbell River

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Toronto

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Invermere

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Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 5:24 AM

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Dear Premier Clark, Minister Polak and the Living Water Smart Team,

This is a golden opportunity to act in the interests of all British Columbians including future generations. Too often people think only of immediate gain and forget that we owe it to our descendants to pass on a world they can live and thrive in.

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Dawson Creek

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Important in order to make this be a piece of legislation for all British Columbians and Canadians is to be very specific and clear in the legislation that private interests do not supersede public interest.

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It is critical that binding standards are implemented that protect the water for fish, wildlife and human use for essential daily activities. Guidelines will not be strong enough to protect our water.

The standards and legislation must apply to all: private citizens, corporate, municipal, regional and industry.

It is critical to protect water flow and watersheds. The effects of disturbing or polluting these have far reaching impacts for fish, animals, nature and the citizens of British Columbia.

Thank you for protecting water for nature.

Sincerely,

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Cranbrook

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To: Living Water Smart ENV:EX

Subject: Please protect our water!

Premier Clark, Minister Polak and the Living Water Smart Team:

The draft proposal for the Water Sustainability Act (WSA) is good but it should be better.

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Our provincial water objectives must prioritize water for fish, wildlife and essential human uses. This means that our objectives MUST apply to all industries, including the forestry, oil and gas (including fracking) and other industries. The fracking industry must be held to the same standard as all other industries and required to avoid polluting watersheds and to take measures to ensure the protection of any supply of fresh water.

Watershed governance is essential for water management. I ask you to provide a clear mandate and resources for local watershed groups to engage in this important process.

There must be some provision to review Water Licenses regularly - not every 30 years! We need to build in the flexibility to adapt to our changing climate and increasing needs for our growing human population.

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An explicit statement that any private right to use water must not harm the public interest ought to be included in the new act.

Thank you for protecting water for nature, including for human beings as part of nature.

Best wishes,

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Victoria

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Protecting water must be our top priority. Binding standards need to be included in the WSA to protect water for fish, wildlife and stream health. Guidelines are not sufficient.

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Thank you for protecting B.C.'s water.

Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

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From: \*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\* [mailto:\*\*\*Personal Identifiers Removed\*\*\*]

Sent: Tuesday, November 12, 2013 8:53 PM

To: Living Water Smart ENV:EX

Subject: Protect water for nature

Dear Premier Clark, Minister Polak and the Living Water Smart Team,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the draft proposal for the Water Sustainability Act (WSA).

I am writing to urge you to include more protections, clarity and commitments to protect water for nature. The draft proposal is a good start, but our water deserves the best possible protection.

Protecting water for nature has to be our top priority. Binding standards need to be included in the WSA to protect water for fish, wildlife and stream health. Guidelines are not good enough.

Likewise, our provincial water objectives must prioritize water for fish, wildlife and essential human uses. These objectives MUST apply to all industries, including forestry, oil and gas (which includes fracking) and other industries.

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