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Good Evening Mary,

My apologies for the rather confusing drafting request this might turn into, but at this point we have no idea whether SB 239 or AB 874 will come to the floor of the Senate on Tuesday, and moreover, we do not know which version of these bills will come up...considering all the potential amendments hanging out there right now.

Anyways, I have one simple amendment and one substitute amendment that Senator Lassa would like drafted. I am not sure what your normal protocol has been, but I assume you have been drafting requests to SSA 2 to SB 239 and then I have no idea about the Assembly version since it is such a mess. Please advise.

Here are the amendments:

- 1. Simple amendment that would require a staggered 20-year review of high-cap well permits. I believe Senator Vinehout's office has requested a similar one that would be a 10-year review. We want the same exact language (I believe pulled from SB 72) except with 20 years.
- 2. Substitute amendment. A few things going on here that I will outline:
 - a. Wipe the slate clean on SB 239 and start from scratch.
 - b. Give DNR sum-sufficient funding to hire high-capacity well review staff so the job can be done quickly and efficiently.
 - c. Allow for repairs/maintenance of wells to require no additional approval from the DNR. (this is item 1 in 239)
 - d. Prioritize transfer well applications only if the transfer is being made to a family relation.
 - i. We want applications that are between family members to get moved to the "top of the stack" of the apps the DNR has to review. This gets at the problem we have heard from the Ag community that passing a well down from parent to child is way too cumbersome and uncertain.
 - e. Prioritize replacement wells if they are for the reasons outlines in item 2 of SB 239.
 - i. Same idea as the last one, we want to cut down on the time it takes for review if these wells are to replace a high cap well that has gone bad.

If you have any questions please feel free to shoot me an email or give me a call at any time.

Thanks so much Mary and have a great rest of your weekend!

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